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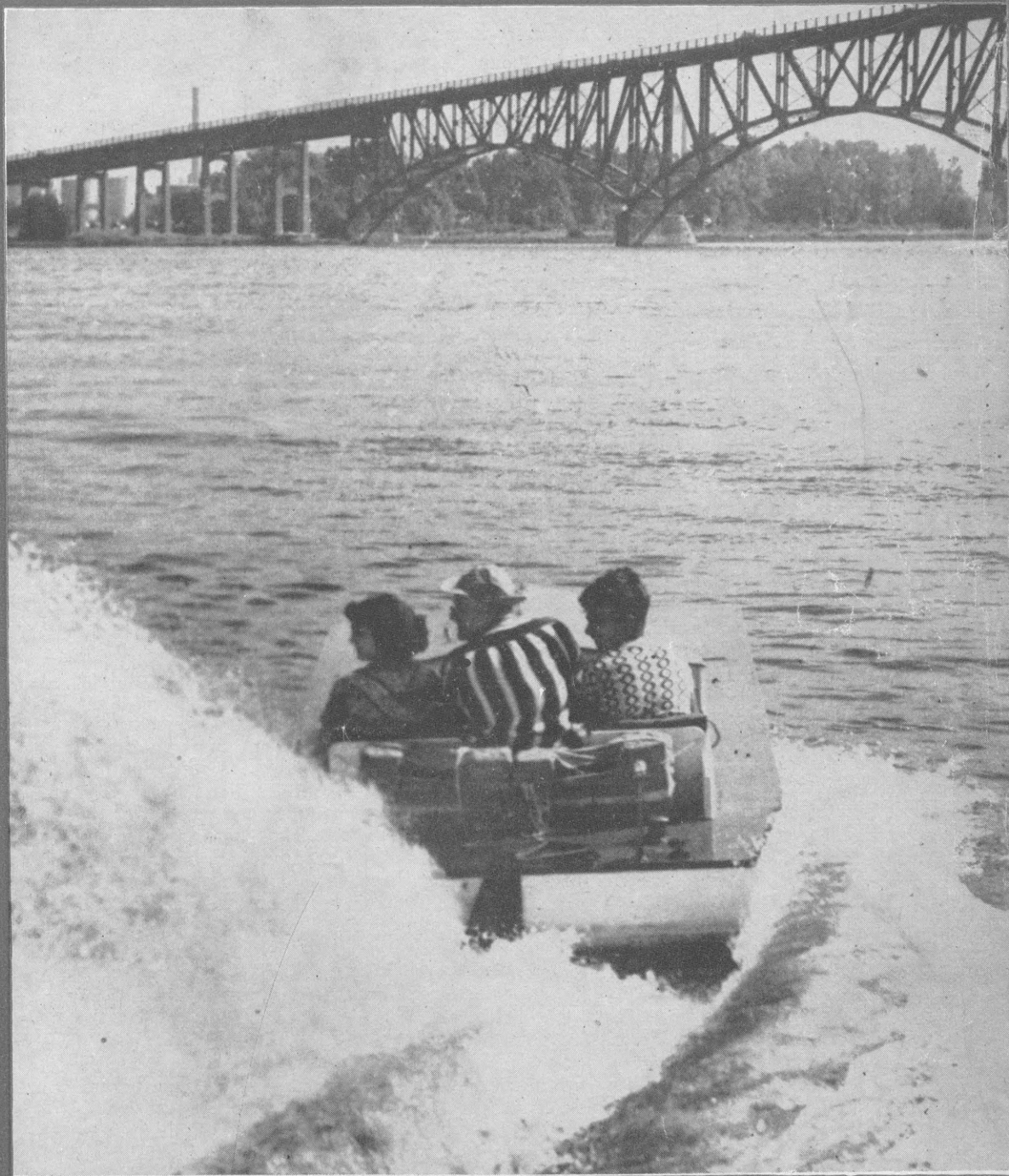
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The Editor's Page

Circulation Manager

This month THE SILENT WORKER is proud to announce the addition to its staff of Hubert J. Sellner as Circulation Manager. We had been looking for a capable hand to take care of the subscription details ever since the magazine



H. J. SELLNER

was started, and fate played into our hands when Hubert Sellner accepted a teaching position in the California School.

After teaching for several years in the Minnesota School, Mr. Sellner joined a number of other former Minnesota teachers in the California School last fall, and indications are that he intends to stay in California for some time. He has purchased a lovely home in El Cerrito, just north of Berkeley and there he and Mrs. Sellner and their boys, Paddy and Bobby, are rapidly getting settled.

"Hub", as he is known to all his friends, is a valuable addition to THE SILENT WORKER staff. He is used to such extra-curricular jobs as we have wished upon him, having filled the office of treasurer of the Minnesota Association of the Deaf for some ten years before coming to California. Until he joined our staff, the circulation details had been handled first by the editor and then by the editor's wife. They will now have more time to give to other phases of the magazine.

Now that we have a regular circulation manager, our staff is finally complete. All we need now is a few thousand more subscriptions.

The Houston Tournament

As we write these lines the basketball excitement which occupies our sports loving fans through the winter months is nearing its climax in the annual AAAD national tournament to be held in Houston, Texas, March 27-30.

We have not yet seen Troy Hill's *American Deaf News*, so we are unable to tell you who will win this tournament, but he will probably be picking the winner, and picking it right, as he has done for the past three years.

Anyhow, may the best team win, and may the AAAD enjoy another successful tournament. Fans going to Houston will find that the Houston folks have planned well for them, and it is to be hoped that they will enjoy the Texas hospitality enough to return for more of it at the NAD convention at Austin in July.

Misleading Oral Propaganda

The Superintendent of the Ontario School for the Deaf, who in recent years has taken a wicked lambasting from deaf leaders in Canada because of his adamant stand in favor of pure oral methods of educating the deaf, has quoted some remarks in the paper published at his school in a manner typical of the usual oralist tendency to misrepresent the facts.

One of the quotations is from the late Superintendent of the Mt. Airy School in Pennsylvania, who was attempting to show the progress made by oral methods there during a period ending in 1905. That is correct—1905. The Pennsylvanian said that oral methods had practically crowded out other methods in the Mt. Airy School, but he failed to say whether the reason was due to the superiority of oral methods, or to the work of the faddists who were running rampant in that day, and who probably would have crowded out manual methods in all schools had not the NAD and the real friends of the deaf risen up in a vigorous demand for the just rights of the deaf child.

"A pupil who failed in the oral department also failed when transferred to the manual department", said the Pennsylvania superintendent. How true! And why did he fail? He failed in the oral department because he lacked the talent for acquiring oral skills, and then he failed in the manual department because he had been left sitting too long in the oral department until his chance for the acquisition of an education had vanished.

Such pupils enter our schools for the deaf each year. They come from the day classes and the public schools, where they have been unable to make any headway under the prevailing rigid oral methods, and have drifted along from grade to grade and even graduated from high school without acquiring much more than the bare elements of an education. When they enter the schools for the deaf, they are found to be several years behind the grade in which the day schools had placed them.

The Canadian superintendent says that in schools using the combined system, "most of the children, including all the better pupils, are in oral classes", and that the classes taught manually are few in number and contain the "poorer pupils." If the gentleman will inspect a few of our leading schools for the deaf, he will find that practically all the "better pupils" are instructed orally in certain classes and manually in other classes. He will find also, as he says, that the so-called "poorer classes" also

are taught manually, which fact is another indictment of oral methods. If such methods are so good, why is it that they are considered inadequate for the slower learners? It is an old trick of the oralists to show off the more clever pupils, and claim credit for their achievements, when it is probably a fact that such pupils manage to progress in spite of the methods used.

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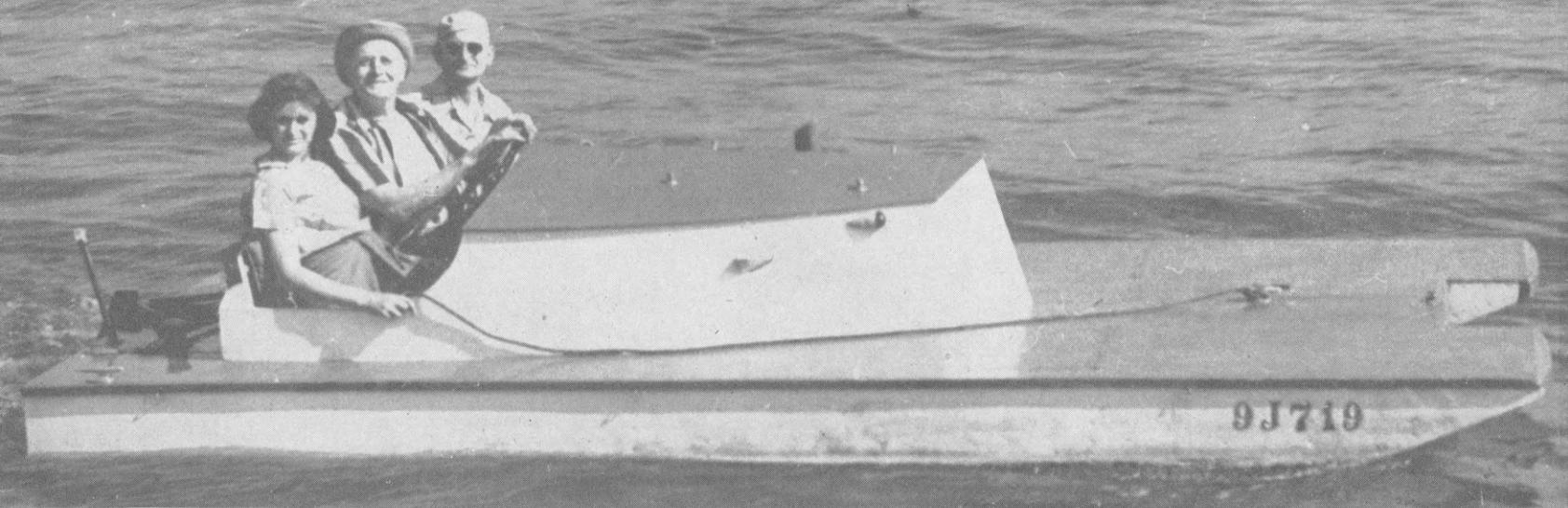
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Billy Smith, Sea-Sled Specialist



By Robert A. Halligan, Jr.

I FIRST MADE THE acquaintance of Billy Smith at the annual outing of the Buffalo Club for the Deaf, Inc., which was held at Grand Island late last summer. Grand Island is a residential community about half way between Buffalo and Niagara Falls. Billy lives there on Love Road in a neat little house about ten years old. Alongside the house is the garage, in which Billy built his sea sled—but we are getting ahead of the story.

Several of us had attended that outing with the express purpose of playing a good, hot game of softball, but when we reached the place we found it had no ball field. The best we could do was play catch on the front lawn, which was slightly larger than a postage stamp. An hour or so of catch and we were becoming bored.

Right across the road and down a short bluff was the Niagara River, and by and by I noticed a number of people going down to the waterfront and later returning. I stopped one of them and inquired what was the source of so much interest. "Why, Billy Smith has his boat at the dock down there," was the reply.

Well, boats were my first love, so nothing would do but that I must see this craft. I hied myself down the zig-zag trail, half expecting to see some sort of glorified rowboat, but to my surprise I found a very competent-looking sea sled tied up at the rickety pier. The owner was loading up with two passengers, and presently he started the

engine and took off. "Took off" is correct. The boat started in a shower of spray and in almost nothing flat was skimming across the top of the water like a petrel.

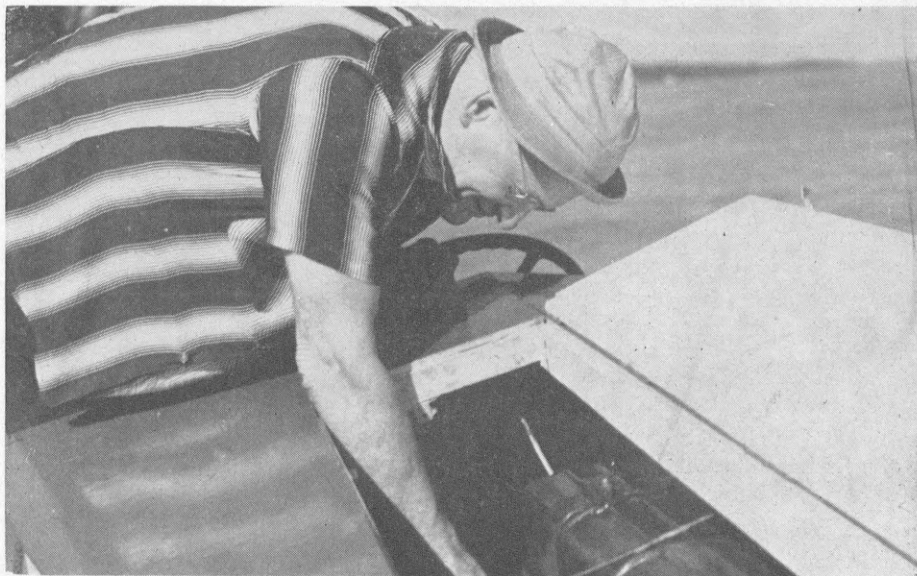
Sez I to myself, "The guy who built that boat is no raw amateur, and I must meet him." So when they came back and Billy invited me to go for a spin I accepted with no reluctance. "Woosh!" and away we went. Billy put the boat through its paces, and it had plenty of them. S-turns, figure eights, hairpin turns—the little craft could do anything at top speed, and its stability was remarkable. It was one of the fastest rides I have ever experienced, and I felt as safe as if I had been riding in a ferryboat.

On our return I sez to Billy, "I simply must have some pix of that boat

in action, and perchance I can make an article for THE SILENT WORKER out of it." Billy greeted this proposal with no little enthusiasm, so I hot-footed back to my car and hauled out my camera. Some of the results are reproduced herewith.

Billy invited me to visit him at his home to get more data, which invitation I accepted several weeks later.

Billy (William M.) Smith is 63 years of age. He was educated at the Rochester School for the Deaf, which he left at the age of 20 to go to work. He has been working as a mechanic of one kind or another ever since. For the last 23 years he has been an employee of Chevrolet in its Buffalo axle plant, across the river from his home. His hobby is mechanical work of all kinds. At present he is working on an in-



Right, Billy Smith makes a minor adjustment to his engine before setting out on a speed ride. All photos, including the one on the cover, were taken by the author.

vention, a fuel-less engine. "I don't mean perpetual motion," he sez, "because I know that is impossible. My engine will operate on a hydraulic principle, and I am sure it will run. The only question is, How long will it run? If it will keep running long enough it will be practical; if not, I'll keep at it and maybe find another way."

He is a most congenial fellow, with an engaging personality. He appears to be always smiling, and the number of people he took out in his boat the day of the outing shows his warmheartedness. At a recent dinner meeting of the Buffalo alumni of the Rochester school, at which it was voted to organize formally, Billy was elected temporary chairman.

"This isn't my first sea sled," sez Billy. "I built another one back in 1932," and he hauled out some snapshots. They showed a rather large craft with what appeared to be an airplane engine and propeller mounted on the rear deck. "Looks pretty big," I remarked.

"It was a 24-footer," sez Billy, "and had a beam of eight feet. By the way, that's a Gnome rotary aircraft engine—came from a French warplane, you know. Had 185 Horsepower."

Well, 185 h.p. in an airplane of today would be a joke, but in the days when that one was flying over France it was nothing to sneeze at.

Even in those days Billy had a way with engines, as you shall see.

Do you remember how those old airplane engines were started? Maybe you have seen it done in old movies. You turn the propeller until the blades are horizontal, grasp the left blade with both hands, raise the right leg high and bring both arms and leg down together, thus giving the prop a vigorous spin. If everything was all right and if you were lucky, your engine began to run. But if some little thing was out of ad-



Billy's first sea sled, powered with a rotary aircraft engine from a French plane which he equipped with a self starter.

justment or if you were not particularly lucky, the engine kicked back and you went with it—you went up in the air (without benefit of wings) and came down fifteen or twenty feet away (without benefit of landing gear). In those days an aviator always had a bruise or two somewhere on his person, and broken bones were not at all uncommon. It was all in the day's work.

Billy's Gnome was no different. It had to be started in the usual way. And, like its contemporaries, occasionally it gave one a ride through the air "with the greatest of ease." But there was one difference: With Billy's Gnome you didn't land on the cold, cold ground—you landed in the drink and went for an unscheduled swim. In those days the water wasn't heated, either.

"Sounds a bit inconvenient," I grinned.

"Oh, I didn't mind swimming—in fact, I always enjoyed it. What I objected to was that I never knew when

my next swim would take place," replied Billy. "And, please remember, I didn't always have a change of clothes handy. After the first few dunkings I tried to remember to keep extra clothes in the boathouse, and for a while I got the best of the engine. But you can't win—not where an engine is concerned. They always get the last laugh.

"One day it threw me into the water in the usual manner, and I dripped my way to the boathouse, muttering threats at it under my breath. After changing my clothes, I went back to the boat and tried to start the engine—and it promptly threw me right back into the water. So I was right back where I started."

Now, no self-respecting boat owner will look with a great deal of favor on an engine that throws him into the drink upon the slightest provocation, so Billy started his think-tank to working. "Automobiles don't have to be cranked any more," he mused. "If a car engine can be started without a crank, it should be possible for any other engine to be started in the same way." To think was to act. He found a way to mount a fly-wheel ring gear to the crankshaft, and above that he mounted the starting motor from an automobile engine. Eureka!

"It worked perfectly," sez Billy, "and after that I took my swims when I wanted to go swimming and not when I wanted to go for a ride in the boat."

I was going to ask him whether he preferred to land in the water or on the ground when his engine kicked back, but then I reflected that the only thing



Left, the author risked his neck to get this shot. With the boat zipping along over the choppy water, he stood on the very tip of the foredeck to get a front action view. The fuzziness of the picture indicates the tremendous vibration of the engine.

I could get by asking foolish questions like that was a reputation for asking foolish questions. so I let it go.

"I started work on my present boat in 1949," sez Billy. "It took about three months of spare-time work. When it was finished the weather was too cold, so we put off the launching until the following year."

He made the craft from his own plans. It differs from conventional boats in that it has a 4-point bottom—that is, when it planes on top of the water it is in contact with the surface at four different places. Billy calls it semi-pontoon construction.

It is 14 feet in length and 6 feet wide, built entirely of plywood with oak frames. For power, Billy dismantled his own car, a 1937 Chevrolet which he had driven for seven years, and put the engine into the boat. He also used the 14-gallon gas tank, the instruments and several minor items from the car. All told, the cost was less than \$500.

Although it is large enough to take quite a load, it has but three seats, and so is licensed to carry only three passengers. Billy uses it exclusively for pleasure, and it does between 35 and 40 miles per hour. It has no name.

Billy concedes that the craft has one fault—"It needs spray rails," he sez. Spray rails are strips of wood, resembling molding, projecting from the sides of the boat, running from end to end. They throw spray horizontally across the water and away from the boat, thus keeping the occupants dry. "But I'll take care of that during the winter," sez Billy.

"Well this is all very interesting indeed, Billy," sez I, "but there is one thing more I'd like to know: How did you know that the boat would float when you got it finished?"

"Ha!" sez Billy, "you can't catch me that way. The engine mountings were made of rubber. I knew it couldn't sink because it had *Floating Power!*" (Ouch!)



Passenger boat built by Ludwig Midtbo, Norway.

Other Boat Builders

While the article on the sea sled specialist was in the course of preparation, material came to *THE SILENT WORKER* indicating that Billy Smith was not the only skilled boat builder among the deaf, a fact which, of course, everyone knows.

The material mentioned tells about Fred Wheeler, of Tarrytown, New York, and Ludwig Midtbo, of Eikefjord, Norway. Wheeler confines most of his boat building to model boats, but he races outboard motors and if he doesn't build them, he does effect improvements in their design which add to their speed. The major part of his building skill, however, is confined to the making of model trains, which are so realistic they are snapped up and displayed by the railroad companies. Because we hope to have more about Wheeler in a forthcoming number, we shall dwell more on the Norwegian boat-builder at this time.

E. L. Schetnan, the noted deaf editor of *Dupree*, South Dakota, heard of

Midtbo and solicited his life story from him, translating it from Norwegian for *THE SILENT WORKER*. Midtbo's boats are the real McCoy, large enough to carry passengers on a regular run.

Ludwig Midtbo became deaf at the age of ten months, as a result of an attack of spinal meningitis. His mother also contracted the disease and died. When he was eight years of age, he was sent to the school for the deaf at Trondheim, Norway, and there he learned to write and he acquired some speech ability, which he says has come in handy on numerous occasions.

After finishing school Ludwig returned home to help his father on the farm and he also picked up the shoemaking trade, later moving to Eikefjord to work as a shoemaker. Possessed of a life-long ambition to be a fisherman, he finally built a motor boat, 28 feet long with a four-horsepower engine. When this boat became too small, he built a 30-foot one and later rebuilt it to a length of 37 feet. That was in 1939.

Midtbo's boats were built for passenger trade, and he soon found the second one too small, so he now has his third boat, 50 feet long with a 40-horsepower, two-cylinder engine, launched in 1940. The Germans were occupying Norway at that time and threatened to seize this boat, but nothing happened and Midtbo continued to maintain a regular passenger run.

Midtbo is probably the only deaf motor boat owner in Norway. Besides his boat, he owns a home and an automobile, the latter a rare possession for deaf Norwegians.

Left, Fred Wheeler, of Tarrytown, N. Y., takes his outboard motor boat out on the Hudson.

Milady's Mink Coat, \$2000 or ??

By A. W. Wright

ITS LUSTRE, ITS VELVETY smoothness, and the feeling of proud ownership it gives are enough to make the wearer of a mink coat feel as warm as toast right off the toaster. Little wonder milady is willing to shell out several gross of deflated dollars to possess a wrap that needs show no price tag to announce its worth. All the pelts for these luxurious garments at first came from northern trappers, but the gradual diminishing of this natural source and the soaring price have created a new industry—the breeding and raising of mink on small farms.

But we are digressing from the main subject. Let us turn to the Oelschlager boys—Harry and George—who were raised on a Minnesota farm and attended the Faribault school. Harry graduated in 1921 and George a year later. At school both boys took leading parts in basketball, baseball, and football, and after graduation Harry played semi-professional ball for a couple of years while both were working in a Brunswick phonograph plant in Iowa. Although they made high wages for those days, the close confinement and dust from polishing wood irked them, used to outdoor life as they were.

About this time they were attracted by the advertisements of the Puget Mill Company, which held vast tracts of logged off land in the Puget Sound country, setting forth in glowing terms the possibilities of poultry raising in that mild climate. The company had established a model demonstration poultry farm, and with its powerful logging machinery, had cleared off tracts to sell on easy terms.

The boys decided to go West. That was in 1924. They found a place with a cottage and 300-bird capacity house offered for sale. As they gained in experience, they rapidly built up the business, and in five or six years had houses holding from three to four thousand laying hens, all that two men could handle successfully by themselves. The

boys readily adopted every modern labor saving device, but not for a moment could they let up on their vigilant care of this large number of poultry or disease would sweep through the flock or the egg production fall off.

The eggs gathered would run from 1500 to 2000 a day, and this meant handling them twice—first going over the long rows of nests, then grading and packing them in crates, and there were several tons of feed to dish out every month. If all the eggs the boys handled were laid end to end, they would reach from here to there and end up somewhere in the heart of Texas.

On the whole the business was profitable, but there were lean years when the price of eggs and the cost of feed were too much out of balance. Some neighboring poultry raisers, discouraged at this, had taken up a new line—mink farming.

The boys had ample opportunity to observe this industry at first hand, and became convinced they could handle this as well and with less work than with poultry. Five years ago they made the switch, and it was a full scale plunge—not a gradual changing over. They began at once with 250 breeders, and with the males making 300, they found it just about right for the two of them.

Mink breed but once a year in the spring, with an average of four to the litter, and in six months they are ready to be pelted. It is during this time the work doubles or trebles, as there are nearly a thousand extra mink to care for. Last year 900 pelts were air shipped to the New York fur auction mart. When about eight weeks old, the baby mink are taken from their mothers and placed in separate wire cages. This is to prevent fighting and clawing as any slight scratch in the fur reduces it from prime to 3rd or 4th grades. The daily menu of the mink consists of about 75 per cent processed fish scrap, 18 per cent horse meat, and the balance made



George Oelschlager holds a mink while his brother Henry tries to make it look pleasant.

up of germ meal, dried grass and tomato, and yeast flakes.

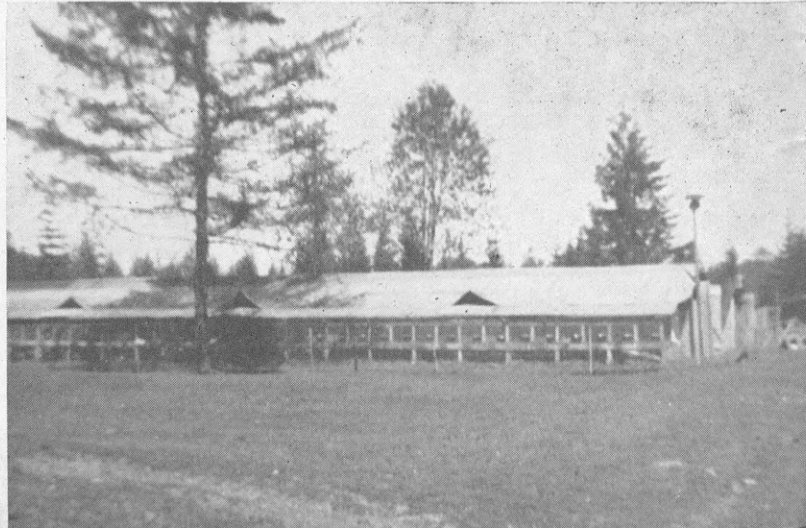
Some say a mink ranch is a very odoriferous place. It is not the mink, but the refuse that is allowed to accumulate, ferment and send off a stench. There is no floor under the battery of cages. Food that the mink nibble at and miss drops through the bottom wire to the ground below. A flock of ducks waddle over the place and gobble up these tidbits. By keeping this fishy food cleaned up, the odor is no worse than that of a well kept farm yard.

The mink is a savage little animal, a cousin to the ferret and weasel, and has to be handled with caution. With all their foolproof methods of getting hold of a mink, and protected with heavy leather gloves, now and then one sinks its teeth into a finger and hangs on with a bulldog tenacity.

Except for two short years, Harry and George have always been batching. In 1933 Harry went east to Minnesota and brought back a former school mate, Miss Lillian Berglund, as his bride. But their happiness was short lived, as she died two years later. The boys have recently remodeled their house, adding another room, and insulating the whole.

With its mild winter climate, and close proximity to the principal source of food, the processing plants of fish scraps, the boys consider this section has considerable advantage for the raising of mink.

Left, a battery of a thousand cages on the Oelschlager mink farm, with Harry and George dealing out the feed. Right, the mink houses.



Chicken Ranch Keeps the Abe Millers Busy

By Abe Rosenblatt

ABOUT 75 MILES north of San Francisco on the old 101 Highway now called the Petaluma Hill Road, 3 miles south of Santa Rosa, during the spring of 1949, the writer was looking for a young couple with three little tots just moved from Los Angeles, a few months back.

On a scenic hillside overlooking the town as well as the highway stands a beautiful blossoming orchard. The inviting fragrance of the orchard made the writer stop and relax. On the spot is the ranch of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Miller. Here, on six acres of land, were 900 prune trees and a small skeleton house. One guy was on top of the house hammering like a veteran carpenter. The writer hollered at him several times and got no response.

"It must be a deaf carpenter building a house for the people," the writer thought. A few minutes later the carpenter stopped hammering and was turning down to the ladder. The writer almost fainted when he found that the carpenter happened to be the charming Virginia Miller (Sewell), the mother of three fine hustling kids and the former city girl from Omaha, Nebraska. She came down gleefully and shook hands. Then she took me to find her husband under the skeleton house getting a big bolt tightened up. That was Abe all right, a clean-cut expert linotype operator, now smeared with dirt, but his smile remained the same and recalled the days he was at the Minnesota School for the Deaf.

Right now the Millers have a 4-room cottage, four 100-ft. cages (enough for 3000 chickens), sunshine brooders (2000 baby chicks), stockhouse, an automatic feeder a 350 gal. gas tank, and other ranch equipment, all built by themselves with less than ten percent outside help.

The first two years, they had been taking about 6000 eggs every week and that was a great deal of work for Mr. and Mrs. Miller. At the same time they were building more chicken cages and brooders.

Besides her work with the chickens, Mrs. Miller works hard in the kitchen preparing good dinners for her husband and three children, and also hearty lunch-boxes for the children and for Abe, who works nights at the Santa Rosa *Press-Democrat* as a linotype operator.

With everything about completed on

the building of cages for the chicks and the home, the Millers are taking it easier except for a few hours of work feeding the chicks daily. Every year during the late fall, they sell the prunes which are contracted to the prune company. They keep a few trees for themselves and have them canned for jam and dessert.

Ye scribe is still wobbly and feeble but he has high praise for Abe and Virginia. Abe Miller has been all over the eastern part of the U. S. with his wife and children trying to become an expert operator on the linotype and a machinist, and struggling to be a carpenter, electrician, and rancher. With only a few hundred dollars to start with in California he purchased the six acres, that included a few English walnut trees, besides the prune trees.

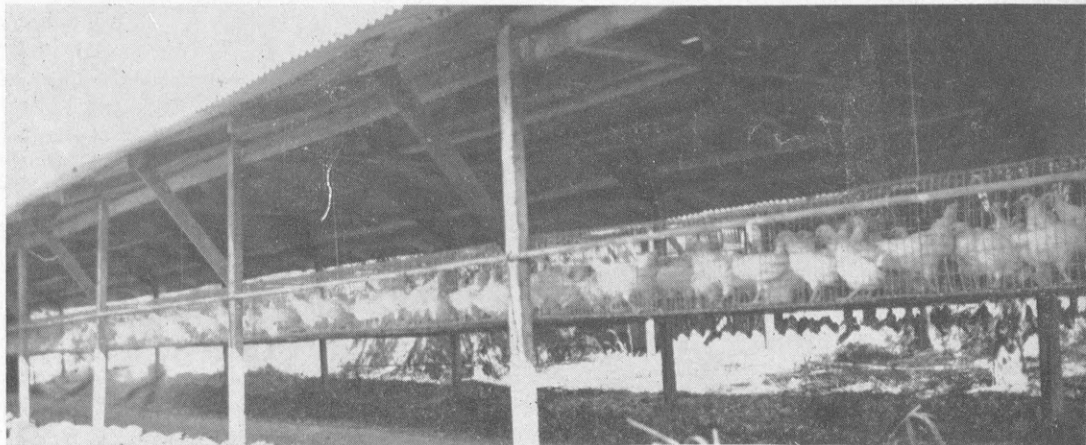


Photo at the top shows Abe Miller with Mrs. Miller and their three children. The next two pictures show their chicken houses, and at the bottom is the home the Millers built.

Schools for the Deaf

R. K. Holcomb

The Western Pennsylvania School

By Bernard Teitelbaum

QUITE FREQUENTLY A WELL developed institution so little resembles its progenitor in structure and in organization as to be unrecognizable as the same one. Such is the case with the Western Pennsylvania School for the



B. TEITELBAUM

Deaf which had its earliest inception in the summer of 1868 in a Mission Sabbath School connected with the Third United Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

A bright little "deaf and dumb" colored boy was brought to the Sabbath School one Sunday and aroused the interest of the superintendent, Mr. Joel Kerr, who induced Mr. W. R. Drum, a graduate of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf, in Philadelphia, to instruct him. In a sort time Mr. Kerr gathered eight other deaf children into the school.

Mr. Kerr's pastor, Rev. John G. Brown, D.D., became interested in the school and its work and in turn interested prominent members of his congregation. By rare good fortune, one was Mr. John Wilson, chairman of the Central Board of Education of Pittsburgh, who laid the matter before the Board and obtained a grant of eight hundred dollars to establish a day school for the deaf in the area as an experiment.

This was the first day school for the education of the deaf in the United States. It opened with fourteen pupils on the first Monday in September, 1869, in a room in a public school building down town. The attendance soon reached twenty-five or thirty, gathered from all parts of Pittsburgh and the adjoining city of Allegheny, long since incorporated into Pittsburgh. The school boards of the two cities contributed to the support of the effort. Two teachers were employed and the manual method was used.

It was soon evident that regular attendance was impossible unless provision was made for boarding those children residing at considerable distance from the school. With funds donated by interested friends, a house was rented nearby and furnished. Ten or twelve children were placed in it under the care of a suitable person. Since the majority of these children were from poor families, it was necessary to clothe them as well as to feed and shelter them.

For greater accessibility the school subsequently was moved to a public school building more conveniently located and the home was transferred to a larger house close by.

At this juncture, Dr. Worthington, Secretary of the State Board of Charities, visited both the school and the home and was very favorably impressed by the work being done. He was instrumental in obtaining from the state an appropriation of two thousand dollars



Sam B. Craig, Litt.D., superintendent of the Western Pennsylvania School since 1946, entered the Gallaudet College normal department in 1924, after graduating from Centre College, Danville, Ky. He was an instructor in the Kentucky School in 1923-24 and then became principal of the Kendall School, Washington, D.C., a post he held from 1925 to 1946. He was Director of the Normal Department at Gallaudet from 1927 to 1946. In addition to his M.A. degree from Gallaudet College, he received the M.A. degree from the George Washington University in 1928. In 1951 he was honored with Litt. D. degrees from both Gallaudet and Centre College. He served as President of the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf 1947-1951.

for the support of the school—the first recorded financial assistance from the State.

In 1870 James Kelly, Esq., proposed to deed a tract of land in Edgewood for the purpose of founding an "Institution for the Deaf and Dumb" of Western Pennsylvania, conditional upon \$20,000 being raised to erect the necessary buildings thereon. In a very short time more than the required amount was raised.

A charter was obtained in 1871 and a Board of Trustees was organized. Subsequently Mr. Kelly deeded to the Corporation ten acres of valuable land in Edgewood. In presenting the land to the new Corporation, Mr. Kelly rejected an actual tender of sixty thousand dollars for it, a very princely sum in those days.

Organization of the new institution was delayed for several years by a protracted lawsuit against the then powerful but currently defunct Edgewood Railroad Company which had invaded the property donated by Mr. Kelly. By the terms of settlement of the lawsuit, the land was leased to the railroad for a term of years. The railroad, however,



Entrance to the administration building, Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, Edgewood, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

refused to surrender the property at the end of the lease. Faced with the prospect of another lengthy lawsuit, the trustees agreed to sell the land to the railroad and with the proceeds bought sixteen and a third acres in the immediate neighborhood—the present site of the school. During this litigation and delay, the school continued operations in the old quarters.

There had been a growing conviction that the day school failed to serve the best interests of the deaf, lacking as it did a department for industrial training. After several unsuccessful efforts, Rev. Dr. Brown secured from the state an appropriation of sixteen thousand dollars in the winter of 1876 for this purpose.

The day school was finally closed in the summer of 1876. During an interim period, a beautiful 37-acre site in Turtle Creek, twelve miles east of Pittsburgh, was used for the new school. This site contained a large brick structure which had been used as a hotel. The property was rented and the building put in order and properly fitted for a school.

Three teachers were appointed, one of them being the late George Moredock Teegarden, a graduate of the National Deaf-Mute College in Washington, D.C. (now Gallaudet College), who was to remain with the school for forty-eight years.

Thus came into being the Western Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb. Without special services, it was opened on October 25, 1876. Twenty-nine pupils formed the nucleus of the new school. This number grew rapidly, reaching 77 the second year and representing 13 counties in Western Pennsylvania.

The census of 1880 revealed that there were 239 deaf children of school age in Western Pennsylvania who were receiving no instruction whatsoever, thus emphasizing the need for larger and more suitable quarters.

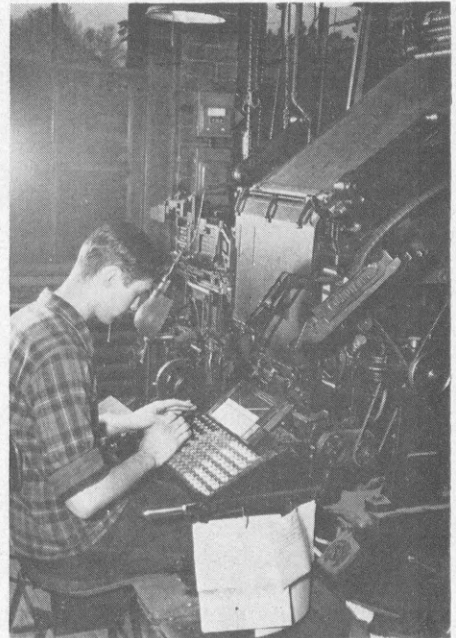
In the winter of 1881 an appropriation of \$60,000 for a new school was obtained from the state on the condition that the Board of Trustees match that amount. Coupled with the value of the property in the possession of the trustees and the amount of the subscriptions already received, \$19,000 additional was needed before the state appropriation was available. A generous public quickly responded to an appeal for funds and the amount necessary was raised in a short time.

Some delay in erecting the new

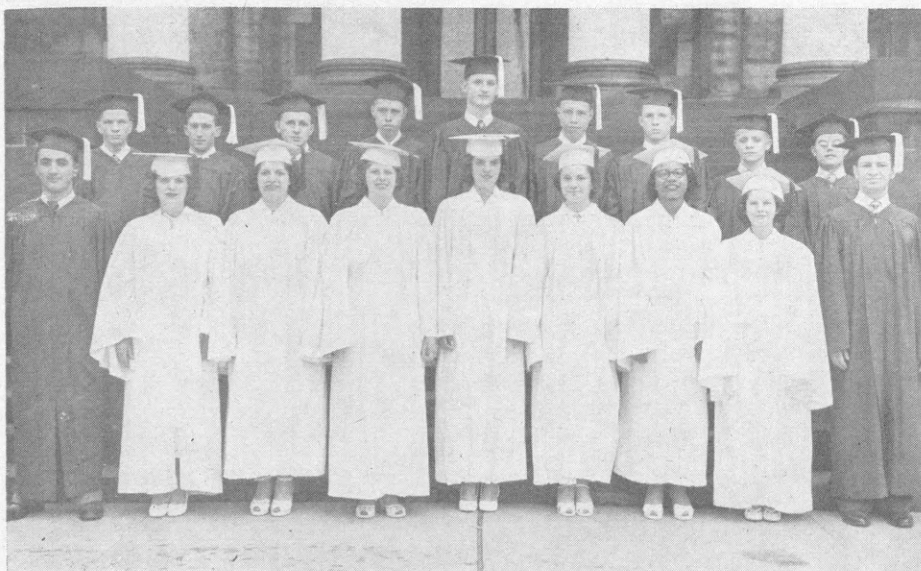
school was experienced but construction was finally started early in July, 1883, on a structure sufficient to accommodate 250 to 300 pupils. Work proceeded very rapidly and the entire structure was under roof early in December. The building was finally completed in the summer of 1884 and the school opened on October 1 of that year. A frame building which had been used as a laundry and bath house on the Turtle Creek site was set up on the new location for use as a carpenter shop. Ground was set aside for a garden.

In the spring of 1892, a two-story brick building was erected for the industrial training of girls. The purpose of the industrial school was to train the girls in all branches of housework in preparation for homemaking.

A teacher of articulation was employed in 1887 when oral instruction was being incorporated in most schools. The number of classes instructed orally



Top, Richard Bonheyo, a senior at the Western Penna. School, practices on the Linotype. Schools are noted for the many experts they equip for the printing industry. Next, one of the students operates an ironer in the home laundering class. At bottom is a view of children at directed play in the nursery school.



This is the graduating class of 1951 at the Western Pennsylvania School

grew, and each year at least one was added.

As the school grew, facilities for the care of the sick became inadequate and in 1897 a new infirmary was erected and put in use—in time to take care of an epidemic of measles which occurred three months later.

With an increasing enrollment and the introduction of the oral method of instruction in beginning classes, it was found advisable to separate the primary children from the older children. This was accomplished by the erection of a primary building large enough to accommodate sixty children and providing in it sleeping rooms, school rooms, play rooms and sitting rooms—complete except for a dining room which was not to be had for well over 35 years.

A disastrous fire broke out in the boys' wing of Main Building on the afternoon of December 14, 1899, completely destroying the building. Much of the furniture from the lower floors was saved by the older boys. Personal belongings, all on the upper floor, were lost. There was no loss of life. For a time boys were sheltered in the carpenter shop and girls in their industrial building. Neighbors quickly threw open their homes to house the boys and girls until they could be sent to their respective homes. Suitable arrangements were soon made and classes were resumed in temporary buildings on March 1, 1900. One hundred and seventeen pupils returned, the maximum number that could be accommodated. School closed that June without the usual exercises.

The most pressing immediate problem was to raise funds for a new building. Dr. Brown secured pledges to the amount of \$50,000. Public schools and

Sabbath schools of Pittsburgh and its suburbs contributed more than a thousand dollars. Pupils and former pupils gave a benefit entertainment in the Old City Hall and raised more than \$700. This \$700 was devoted to the purchase of art glass windows for the chapel on which the Board had inscribed a suitable acknowledgment of the gift.

The State Board of Charities recommended to the Legislature that it grant \$150,000 for the erection of a new building. However, only a third of the amount was appropriated.

Work was begun August 7, 1901, on the new building, which was to be a fireproof structure. Though plagued with frequent but brief work stoppages, construction progressed speedily and the school was opened in the fall of 1902, only a little later than usual.

It is proper and fitting to record here that Dr. John G. Brown, D.D., who had actively sponsored the school since its earliest inception in the Sabbath School

in 1868, died on March 4, 1904, at the advanced age of 80. He had served four years as principal of the growing school and at the time of his death was president of the Board of Trustees.

In the summer of 1908 the late John Porterfield left the school a bequest which was used to erect a gymnasium, a long-felt need. The boys in the carpenter shop helped with window frames, sashes, door frames, mouldings, and other parts, speeding the completion of the building in the summer of 1910. Originally the gymnasium contained a swimming pool which was in use for a long period of time. However, in the intervening years, the built-into-the-walls piping deteriorated and the cost of renovating the pool made the job prohibitive. In 1948 the pool was filled in and the space converted to an attractive and useful recreation room.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie, Pittsburgh steelmaster, gave a \$5000 endowment to the school, the income from which was designated for the purchase of books for the school library.

Enrollment in the school has increased to a current total of over 300. The education staff numbers 52. Since the opening of the school in 1869 more than 4377 boys and girls have received instruction.

The school was transferred in 1923 from the State Board of Charities to the State Board of Education, thus removing from the school what all had considered a stigma—the stigma of charity. Simultaneously the name of the school was changed to "Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf."

A new dining room was built for the primary children in 1936, making the primary unit a separate and independent part of the school.

With the ever present fear of a recurrence of the disastrous fire of 1899 and in spite of the fire-proof nature of the buildings, fire sounding and fire de-



Right, girls' physical education class.

tecting systems have been installed throughout the school plant. One is a manually operated system connecting directly with the nearby fire department. Another is an automatic system of hollow tubing attached wherever a ceiling exists.

In 1926 a teacher training department was established to supply the school with needed teachers. Since then 175 teachers have been trained, many of whom are teaching in other schools for the deaf.

In the industrial department shoe repairing as a trade has been discontinued. Linotypes and modern type cases have been added to the equipment of the print shop. New high speed machinery has supplanted the old in the carpenter shop and painting as a trade has been added to the vocational curriculum.

In 1950, plans were set in motion for

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increasing the accommodations in the existing plant. Extensive alterations were started on the interior of both wings of the main building. New enclosed fireproof stairways built against the outer walls replaced the old stairways spiralling around the open freight elevator shafts. This space is currently being converted into bath rooms and shower rooms with a small corner space being reserved for an automatic elevator to be installed at the earliest possible time. The National emergency restricting certain materials and limited funds have hindered progress in this direction.

When this work is completed, the plan is to convert all first floor rooms into classrooms, reserving the two upper floors for living quarters. Existing classrooms on the second floor will be converted into small dormitories accommodating 6 to 8 children each. These will be used for the younger children housed in Main Building. The present huge dormitories on the third floor will be partitioned into small bedrooms for the older pupils. The plan is identical for both wings.

Of vital importance to the physical

training of the boys and girls has been the construction of two athletic fields east of the gymnasium on the former site of the gardens. The ground was levelled off—a task entailing the raising of the southern end some 20 feet with dirt removed from the northern end—thus making two athletic fields at different levels—the upper field for the girls and the lower and larger field for the boys.

The Girls' Homemaking Department was moved in 1948 to the former superintendent's apartment on the second floor of Main Building, bringing under one roof all educational departments for the girls. The former home eco-

nomics building was converted into a home for the superintendent.

The old gravity water supply system, in use since 1901, with its constantly fluctuating pressures and consequently poor supply, was replaced late in 1951 with one furnishing a constantly high pressure and insuring an ample supply of water at all levels in all buildings.

Important, too, is the renewed emphasis now being placed on sending capable pupils to Gallaudet College. While little may be accomplished in this respect in the immediate present, the emphasis being given to college preparation work should produce satisfactory results in the near future.



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By Marcus L. Kenner

*"How small the Heavens are,
the Frog can tell;
He's seen them!—from the
Bottom of the Well."*

Do you know him? Let's call him "Oscar" (tho he's not deserving of any honor). Jauntily he breezes into my sanctum and nonchalantly parks himself on the nearest object. In a burst of confidence he spins a tale of his "trials and tribulations." Hard luck stories figuratively drip from his finger tips. Yes, Oscar's employer is a blankety-blank who refuses to appreciate his brains. For he (Oscar) is a genius who can do almost anything (except make a living). His sense of values perfectly cock-eyed, he habitually peers thru the wrong end of the telescope and wonders why the picture is all awry. Hampered by lack of imagination rather than information, he's never constructive. Declining to aid, he has the temerity to hinder others from aiding. In short, a rank egotist, mentally blind besides being physically deaf. 'Tis a pity, indeed. Proper vocational counselling, expert guidance and adjustment could do much to steer Oscar towards a higher social and economic plane,—if he would but listen and heed.

Alas, like the proverbial poor, it seems that he will ever be with us and continue "rocking the boat",—long after this poor piece of mine is forgotten.

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A young reporter was assigned by his Editor to write up a Ball given by the local organization of the deaf. He wondered at the ease with which many of the deaf gyrated round the polished dance floor to the accompaniment of a name band. Espying

a beauteous damsel, engaged in animated sign-language conversation, he approached her with a penciled note, asking for "the next dance, please?" Coily, she accepted. Divinely, they whirled round and round, and in complete silence. He then engaged her in conversation via the pad and pencil medium. This went on, back and forth, for some time until a hearing acquaintance approached the lass and began chatting normally,—revealing the fact that she, too, was a hearing person! And so was the reporter!

Perhaps you know of better tales than this. Alright, please send it in to this "Korner",—will ya?

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Martin is a bright lad, only 11. But he has courageously set his mind and heart on becoming an Antarctic explorer! So, off he dispatched the following letter to

Dear Admiral Byrd: Jan. 22, 1952
I would like to go on your Expedition. I am eleven years old and can ski fairly well.

I have read all the books written on your expedition and what I have read I think I could stand conditions in Antarctica. I could be a Dairyman (Dairy boy). I will be in Washington, D. C., on Feb. 20-24 if you would like to meet me. I do not want to be paid but am anxious to learn. I am joining the Boy Scouts in Feb. on my eleventh birthday. Please let me hear from you.

Yours truly,
"MARTIN KENNER"

Yes, you guessed it; the adventurous chap is my eldest grandson. To date, the busy Admiral hasn't yet replied. Maybe he has Martin's offer under consideration.

The Educational Front and Parents' Department

By W. T. Griffing, Editor

A Plan to Further Secondary Education of the Deaf in the United States of America

By Percival Hall and Jonathan Hall

TEACHERS AND OTHER FRIENDS of the deaf who are interested in their education have long taken much pride in the advancement in this field shown in the United States since the establishment of the first permanent school for the deaf at Hartford in 1817. This school was substantially subsidized by the United States Government, and was granted a charter and financial aid by the State of Connecticut. It was a small school to begin with. Laurent Clerc was the only skilled teacher at the beginning, with of course the devoted principal, Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, who had studied methods of teaching in the National Institution at Paris. Transportation at that time was very difficult. The school curriculum was limited and many of the pupils spent only a few years in school, though they made remarkable progress.

At the present time there are residential schools, many supported or subsidized by the states, private schools, denominational schools, and many day schools, the latter supported by city or state funds. Millions of dollars have been spent in the erection of school buildings, shop buildings and equipment. Many schools offer excellent vocational training. States which do not have special schools of their own provide for the free instruction of their deaf children in other states. Over twenty thousand children are in attendance throughout the country and it can be said that all deaf children of school age are not only eligible for free instruction but are compelled by law to attend school, though there are waiting lists in some instances. In Washington, D.C., there is a government subsidized college for the deaf, which has graduated hundreds of students since its opening in 1864. Pride may be taken in the status of deaf citizens, which must be attributed largely to the education which they have received. Practically all of them are self-supporting citizens and many have achieved prominence in the fields of religious work, education, science, letters and other lines.

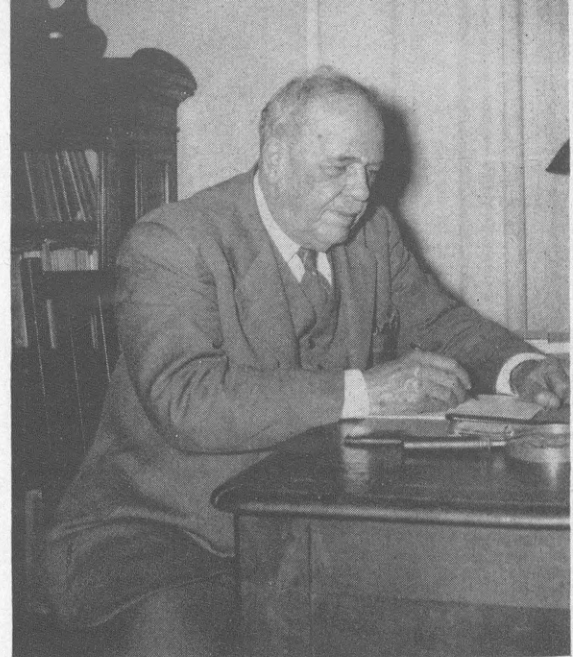
While pride in this great progress is justified, it must be remembered that there has been at the same time astonishing progress in the United States in all educational fields, both private and public. Privately endowed colleges and universities, city and state supported colleges and universities, have multiplied greatly. But perhaps the most

profound change in recent years has taken place in secondary education. It is said with good authority that there are more pupils in the high schools of the United States of America than in all the high schools in the rest of the world. While there has been some difficulty in the building and staffing of these schools recently, it is a fact that practically all of the hearing boys and girls of this country may expect to receive a free high school education if qualified. Each year thousands upon thousands of hearing young people graduate from free secondary schools, and many of them enter institutions of higher learning by certification or examination and continue in their educational progress.

While schools for the deaf in this country have made progress in secondary education, it has not been as rapid nor as complete as in public schools for hearing children. There are good reasons for this situation. Authorities in schools for the deaf have stressed vocational training to insure economic independence for their graduates. They have had to allow extra school hours in the struggle to teach English to a large proportion of their pupils, who were born deaf or became deaf at an early age. Skilled teachers of secondary subjects have been hard to find. In small schools particularly, the number of scholars qualified for full high school work has been few. In consequence regular and complete high school classes have been difficult to maintain.

Many years ago the authorities of Gallaudet College felt it was necessary to maintain two years of preparatory work for some students before their admission to the freshmen class. After a while the lower preparatory work was discontinued, but even now the work of one preparatory year is still carried on.

In recent years three to four score young people enter Gallaudet College in September, most of them graduates of special schools. A few come in with advanced standing from high schools for hearing students. A large part of this group spend a year in the preparatory class. Those who are successful during this preparatory year and those admitted with advanced standing seem to make up a large part of the number of deaf pupils in this country annually completing a full secondary education. Many applicants for admission to the



DR. PERCIVAL HALL

preparatory class fail in their tests. Though some of these return to school and try again, many do not go on with their formal education.

Some years ago one large western state school set up a special high school department, but abandoned it in a few years. However, a few schools have submitted their curricula to state or city authorities and have been listed as accredited high schools for some years past. Authorities in some large cities, such as Los Angeles, Chicago, and New York, have provided secondary education for deaf pupils in their special schools or in their regular high schools for hearing pupils.

In collecting statistics for the January, 1950 *Annals of the Deaf*, Dr. Powrie Doctor, editor, and his staff, requested an answer from practically all schools for the deaf to the questions, "Do you have an accredited high school department? If so, by whom is it accredited?" Eleven public residential schools replied, "Yes" and 54, "No" to the first question. Of the public day schools answering, 28 replied, "Yes" and 58, "No." Of private and denominational schools replying, only two said, "Yes" and 23, "No." Immediately after the appearance of the January 1950 *Annals*, a short but comprehensive questionnaire was sent out by the authors to those residential schools which reported such accredited work and also to the larger day schools on the same list. This questionnaire endeavored to develop the number of pupils in the ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades, separately, the general scope of the subjects taught, the time devoted to each subject, and the number of teachers employed full time and part time in secondary instruction; also, methods of teaching physics, chemistry and biology, whether by laboratory or otherwise.

A brief study was made of the number of children in the high schools of

Washington, D.C., compared to the total school population. The percentage of pupils in the high school classes in accredited schools for the deaf was also compared to the total school population in these schools. The result showed that only about two thirds as many deaf children in proportion were being instructed in high school classes as there were hearing children being instructed in the Washington high schools.

A number of other interesting facts were brought out in the replies to the questionnaire. Among them was the fact that one of the large schools for the deaf, though accredited for high school work, seldom used this right of accreditation. Another large school was accredited with junior high school work only. It also showed that at times there were no complete advanced grades in some smaller schools and that some of the teachers were engaged only part time in high school work. Few schools reported the use of laboratory or project method in teaching science. One school reported the study of chemistry by the use of the facilities of a neighboring high school for hearing pupils.

The results obtained from this questionnaire, showing the lack of complete senior high school facilities for deaf pupils, was called to the attention of the alumni of Gallaudet College (many of whom are teachers) at a meeting during the reunion of June 1950. Some suggestions were made as to a possible plan for meeting the evident need for complete secondary education for all deaf pupils capable of such instruction. The plan suggested at that time was to establish a limited number of regional senior high schools.

Little change is shown in the statistics of certified high school departments in special schools a year later in the January 1951 Annals. Only one additional public residential high school was reported as accredited and no additional private or denominational school. Twenty-eight day schools reported as accredited in 1950, but one or the largest of these was accredited only for junior high school work. Only four additional day schools were reported as accredited for full high school work in 1951.

Analysis of the statistics for the day schools is somewhat difficult because in some cases hard of hearing students and deaf students are thrown together in the same school. Altogether the change in the 1951 situation is not considerable and it seems presumable that the opportunity for qualified deaf pupils to complete full secondary school training is still far from what it should be. Therefore the suggestion made in 1950 at the meeting of the Gallaudet Alumni Association would most certainly seem to be worth considering.

That is, that in order to provide accredited senior high school work for all qualified deaf pupils, the question of the establishment of regional public residential senior high schools might well be taken up.

In theory the whole problem might be solved by raising the standard of all schools for the deaf to that of accredited senior high schools. However, there are dozens of such schools and therefore this solution would be expensive and difficult, particularly for the states with small school populations. With a little less than 21,000* deaf children in all special schools for the deaf, would it not be wiser for the Conference of Executives of the American Schools for the Deaf to agree upon a plan to group the states into a half dozen (or more if necessary) regions and assist in the establishment in each region of a public accredited residential senior high school for the deaf. Each such school should be so situated that an urban population is nearby, with many general educational facilities available, such as libraries, museums, industrial plants and good nearby high schools for hearing children, which might be visited by both deaf pupils and their teachers. Such a school should be equipped with good laboratory facilities and should provide first class vocational instruction. The teaching staff might be drafted in part from the nearby schools for the deaf or from the enlarged normal classes and other graduating classes from Gallaudet College, some members of which might have received special training in secondary education not usually afforded special training classes. The establishment of such a school would be expensive. It might be chartered by one of the states interested and placed in the state school system, with the regional states sharing current expenses. Initial cost might have to be met by federal grant for educational purposes. The American school was a regional school and was established in this general manner. The Conference of Executives of the American Schools for the Deaf, through the heads of participating schools in the region, might exert salutary influence as to teachers' certification, curriculum and other matters. In some regions where the school population is very large and a number of schools for the deaf already exist, one school might be persuaded to become an accredited senior high school only. Younger pupils would be transferred to other schools which would send their advanced students to the designated high school. Such an arrangement would not be excessively expensive, though additional facilities for instruction and some changes in the dormitory

system would no doubt be required.

It would not be necessary to establish many regional schools. Best results would be obtained by some experimentation and by proceeding slowly with careful study.

The establishment and successful operation of regional public residential accredited senior high schools would cause, no doubt, some dislocation in the operation of other schools especially in that region, in connection with curricula. There would also be the disadvantage of additional expenditure for the transportation of pupils. These and other difficulties should be considered of less importance than the following advantages: the abolition of waiting lists which exist in a number of schools at the present time; a much needed change from the atmosphere of primary and intermediate school life; locations in several of the better urban cultural areas of the United States; environment permeated with the healthy competitive spirit of a selected and more homogeneous pupilage; school populations large enough to guarantee classes of such size that subjects would be taught year after year, thus eliminating part time and irregular teaching situations; assurance through reasonably large and continuous classes that expensive laboratory equipment and an abundance of library materials would be worthwhile investments; teachers trained specifically for secondary education; and finally, the encouragement of a greater number of deaf pupils to seek higher education.

Does such a plan as that of the establishment and successful operation of regional schools seem just a thing to dream about? Was not the American School once just a dream? Was not Gallaudet College planned for and dreamed about before it was finally a reality?

It is reported that the Labor Government of Great Britain has decreed that *all* English children shall have the opportunity for a high school education. Italy is planning a college for the deaf. In general, better education means better earning power for those who receive it and a higher standard of living. Shall there not be a forward movement in the United States of America, so that all deaf children shall have the opportunity for full free secondary education?

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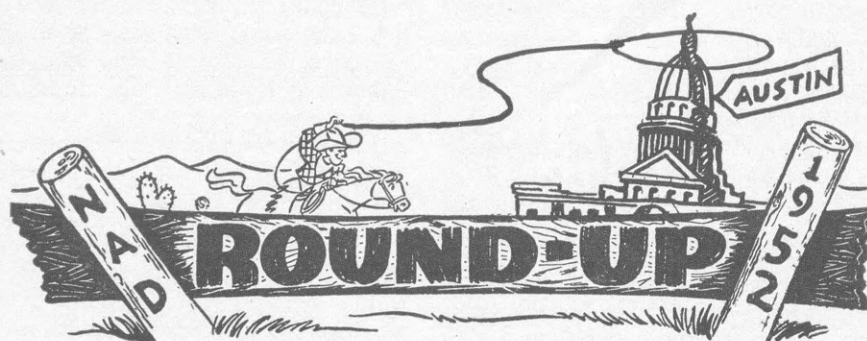
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By Will Rogers

Beunos dias, amigos. It is a beautiful day. While people up north, back east, and out in California have been suffering from blizzards, snow storms, rain, and all kinds of woe. down here in Texas we have been having June in January shirt sleeve weather, with not a care in the world but high prices, taxes, and the approaching NAD convention. By the time you read this, folks, it will be March, but right at present, 1952 is still in its hey-dey, and the NAD convention committee members are up to their ears in work—work with a capital W.

Seems as how things are rounding out fine in this neck of the woods. More and more of our deaf citizens are volunteering to do a little in the round-up, and one and all are displaying a fine attitude. Maybe it's the weather—we hope it is just good old NAD spirit.

Boss of the Bunkhouse Butler, who is not Miss Gwendel Butler, but Mr. Bud Butler, has lined up the main hotels in Austin and informs me the prices for a flop are within the reach of all, with a few high priced layouts for people what have more money than brains. Info he has rounded up to date follows:

Hotel Rates

Commodore Perry Hotel:

Singles \$ 5.00—\$ 8.00
Doubles \$ 8.00—\$10.00

Austin Hotel (Headquarters):

Singles \$ 3.50 up
Doubles \$ 5.00 up
Twins \$ 6.00 up
Suites \$10.50 up

Driskill Hotel (New building):

Singles \$4.00
Doubles \$5.00
Twins \$7.00

Driskill Hotel (Old building)

Singles \$2.50
Doubles \$3.50
Twins \$4.50

Alamo Hotel:

Moderate rates

All hotels listed above are situated downtown. The Austin Hotel will be convention headquarters. It is situated next to the Driskill, a few blocks from the Commodore Perry, Austin's newest hostelry, and five blocks from the Alamo Hotel.

Motels

Anyone desiring motel reservations please contact G. D. Butler, 2215 Euclid, and state type and price of accommodations desired.

As for putting on the feed bag, all hotels listed have fancy dining rooms. For those who prefer more conservative places, there are a dozen restaurants, cafes, and cafeterias within four blocks of the headquarters hotel. Don't overlook the Spanish eating houses, folks, nor the cafes that serve Chinese menus. They are all good.

Bars? Sad to tell, you will be out of luck if you go looking around for a brass rail. There are soda bars, cleaning bars, and snack bars, but all the hard likker you can buy across a Texas bar you can pour in your ear. The state is bar-less but it is not dry by a long shot, and there ain't no law against toting your jug.

Howsomever, friends, don't drink and drive in Austin. The city is full of one way streets and traffic cops with one-track minds. The speed limit in the city is 30-33 mph and the courts are tough on natives or outlanders what use the main drag for a speedway.

A word of warning. Texas has in force a financial responsibility law that affects one and all. Any unlucky soul getting involved in an accident where someone is hurt, or where the damage is in excess of \$100 must be able to make bond up to \$15,000. Liability insurance will save your neck and your driver's license. If you don't have liability insurance now, it would be smart to get a policy. If you can't find a company to sell you one, get in touch with the NFSD headquarters in Oak Park, Illinois. The Frat can furnish you with the

name of a company accepting deaf drivers as risks. Be wise, not sorry.

Well, now that all of the unpleasant details are out of the way, let us look at the brighter side of things, folks. Appears that the bird in the Kremlin is not going to bring about rationing of tires and gas as everybody expected last year, so we are hoping a lot of our friends who couldn't come except by auto will actually turn up around here for the affair. If any of you people coming down here fall in love with our fair city, strike oil, or find a good job, and want to stay permanent, housing is not a problem. Maybe it is not the real McCoy, but I hear tell Austin's real estate men are moaning on each other's shoulders because Austin has suddenly come up with 1,600 homes that nobody has the money to buy. Time was when this town was full—full of everything to be honest—and chicken shacks were considered palaces by welders and riveters with more cartwheels than luck. What was a boom town ten years ago is now a steadily growing capital city that promises to be one of the fairest of the fair. In a few weeks, ye scribe will introduce you to the City of Austin through these pages.

Tentative plans for the convention had July first as the opening date. Seems a change for the better will be made there and the initial convening date will be June 30, to give the cow gals on the registration committee a chance to handle the opening day stampede. In which case changes will be made all along the line, but the same events and affairs will be included and possibly added to.

Fishermen will find the waters in and around Austin a paradise. Bring your rods and reels and have some fun in off hours. Payment of a small fee gives out-of-staters the right to angle. If you hanker to fish in the Gulf of Mexico, drop a card to Willie Floerke, Taft, Texas, and get some information. Don't ask me—I don't know a tarpoon from a tuna, except in cans.

Things been kind of dull around here lately. Not much news or gossip to pass on. No strangers in town, no nothing but getting things lined up for welcoming you folks in June.

Get your bunk reservations lined up early. Bunkhouse Boss Butler has been putting on a lot of weight doing nothing lately. If all parties concerned wait until June to reserve a room, somebody without doubt will go without. So remember the gent to write to: Bud Butler, 2215 Euclid, Austin. We'll be seeing you, folks.



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OKLAHOMA . . .

Troy and Geneva Flo Hill were guests of the Tulsa Silent Club in early December, at which time Geneva delivered a reading, "The Ship of Ishtar", to a large gathering. Other visitors to Tulsa the same evening were: Mrs. Ethel Henderson, Ft. Smith, Ark.; Ross Kendall, Cushing; Larry Smythe, Norman; and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Grounds of Oklahoma City.

Friends of Elsie Reynolds are sorry to learn of the death of her brother in a hunting accident near Madill, Okla., Thanksgiving Day. Her brother died in the same kind of mishap that took the life of her father years ago.

The Ruby Mission Society entertained members and their husbands with a Christmas dinner at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Gunn in Okla. City.

The recent Tacky Party at the Okla. City Club was a lot of fun, due to the efforts of Mrs. Tom Damron, Clarence Ross, and Mrs. Alex Hickerson. Winning the dubious honor of being judged the "tackiest" were Mesdames Ashcraft of Shawnee, and VOLLIE SULLIVAN Hay of Okla. City. (Why not send pictures of such events to THE SILENT WORKER?—ED.)

Planning a Yuletide wedding are Violet Ruth Powell and Henry West, both of Tulsa.

Roscoe Kendall, Jr., son of Mr. Kendall of Ardmore, was a very happy little boy when he won a prize of a television set recently. A photograph appeared in the local paper showing Jr. being congratulated by his proud father.

Mrs. Ethel Henderson has been a frequent visitor to the Tulsa Club as guest of Eula Chaney. Mrs. Henderson recently located her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Hale Staley of this city, whom she had not seen in over 30 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hay entertained the T. B. Bouchers of Norman during late November, as did Bill and Elsie Reynolds of Okla. City. Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Gray of Baton Rouge, La., spent a weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stapp in Tulsa. Other Tulsa visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Grounds of Oklahoma City, guests of the Orville Ingles. Mr. and Mrs. William Wood of Tulsa, paid a recent visit to Oklahoma City and stopped over in Guthrie to see newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bridges. Eula Chaney spent the Christmas holidays with her mother and sister in Ardmore.

Right: Deaf candy makers employed at the factory of the Kandy Kane King Company, Homewood, Pennsylvania. Left to right, Dolly Rosenfeld and Jean Letunik check candy canes with the owner, Mrs. David Lando. The firm hires 24 girls and 17 of them are deaf. The owners say their only problem is finding more workers like those they have.

MONTANA . . .

Recent visitors to the home of the Ed Lappins in Butte, were Harold Johnson, Reno Wolf, Milton Miller, and James George. A winter guest at the home of her daughter in Butte, is Mrs. Brock of Park City. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kosanovich were also late winter visitors to Montana, spending the Thanksgiving holidays with Mrs. Kosanovich's parents in Anaconda.

Mrs. Mercedes Blankenship and little son have come to make their home in Butte. Mr. Blankenship is still in California but will join Mercedes very soon. The Blankenships hail from Los Angeles. The deaf of Butte are happy to welcome them to Montana.

Vivian Miller of Billings, Montana, paid a recent visit to Butte. She holds down an excellent position as a clerk at a meat packing company in Billings.

Bert Castellano is no longer with the Rocky Mountain Cafe in Anaconda. He is now working at the Aro Club in Meaderville and is completely satisfied with his new employment.

Friends of John Nagel, former student at Boulder, will be interested to learn that he is now working for the Chicago Tribune and doing very well.

Jack Ruddy spent a few days in Missoula visiting former acquaintances during November. Jack still resides in Glendive, Montana.

The Montana Association of the Deaf will hold their convention in Helena in June. Glenn Preston and Mrs. Robinson journeyed up to Helena from Missoula in November to confer with the rest of the Convention Committee. Mr. Garretson of Great Falls, Mr. Spencer and Doris Stoltenberg of Livingston. They were entertained by Dale Glasser of Townsend, when they attended a Social given by the club at Helena.

The Billings Silent Club thoroughly enjoyed the New Year party given at the new General Custer Hotel at Billings December 31. Though the price was set at \$2.50 per person, everyone attending report that the affair was well worth every cent. Chairman Roy Tuggle, of Pryor, was in charge.

NEW YORK . . .

The Brooklyn Guild's Christmas Party chairmaned by Charles B. Terry, was very well attended. Movies were shown, followed by the distribution of gifts, candy and calendars by Santa Claus (Perry Schwing). A beautiful tree, the symbol of Christmas, gave an additional holiday air to the occasion.

It was good seeing Charlotte Abbott at the Vox Benefit show on December 1 and again at B.P.G.D.'s Christmas Party on December 21. Now that she lives and works on Long Island she is not seen so often at her old haunts.

Mrs. Edna Kriegshaber and her daughter Sally spent the holidays visiting her nephew in Savannah, Ga. They returned to New York on January 5.

Mrs. Bessie Ciavolino and Vincent Blend accompanied Charles Terry to the Gallaudet Home on December 22. They took a carload of lovely Christmas gifts bought with donations received from various clubs of the deaf.

Betty Goldwater suffered an attack while working, December 5. Her doctor said the attack was caused by heart strain. She stayed in bed a few days before returning to work. She was advised to take it easy which she will from now on. Belle Peters visited her, bearing some home-made soup.

Nettie Bachrach, widow of Arthur C. Bachrach, announced the marriage of her daughter, Cecelia Rose, to Jack Gordon on November 25. The late Mr. Bachrach was one of the founders of the Union League of the Deaf.

LeRoy Subit gave a surprise birthday party for his girl friend Alice on November 24. After a sumptuous turkey dinner, the 20 guests watched the guest of honor open her gifts and then games were played.

Mrs. Belle Schreiber gave a surprise birthday party for Mrs. Florence Rogalsky on December 1.

Martin Sternberg is no longer on the Gallaudet College faculty but is back in New York looking for a job on some newspaper. He received his M.A. degree last June from the American University.

The Golden Tornadoes Athletic Club gave a Christmas party on December 1, and everyone who attended enjoyed himself. The Club also had a banquet on January 19, in celebration of their Fifth Anniversary. Awards were presented to the players as well as to those who did their share from the sidelines.

Bob and Thelma Dach of Levittown sent Christmas cards from sunny Florida, where Thelma has been recuperating from an appendectomy.

The engagement of Eugenia Kluba and Anthony Milner has been announced. Tony is



the last of the local founders of the Long Island Club to forsake bachelorhood. The wedding is scheduled for May.

The Christmas Party managed by Charlotte Abbott was a record breaking affair. Somehow 86 people managed to squeeze into the clubroom. The simple addition of a toothpick would have burst the room at the seams.

The members were glad to see Julius Rathheim up and around again at the meeting after a siege in the hospital. Be careful you don't make him laugh, we think he's still in stitches!

Binghamton Civic Association held its last meeting of the year on December 8. Paul Marinach was re-elected President, Lucretia King, Vice-President and Gertrude Hink, Secretary. Clifford Leach is still receiving compliments on the success of the N.A.D. Rally.

Helen Leach, Helen Decker and Jeanette Decker, all of Johnson City, are now full fledged drivers. Jeanette is thought to be the first deaf pupil in the state to ever be trained by the public under Dual Training.

The Francis (Pete) Coughlins of Saratoga Terrace, Binghamton, seem to have had more than their share of trouble in recent months. Their young daughter has been reported seriously ill in the hospital with a bad case of croup contacted before Christmas.

The Kenneth Cobbs of Vestal are the proud parents of a new baby daughter.

Samuel Shah of Utica, formerly of Rome, spent the holidays in New York with relatives.

The George Dixs of Walton received one of the nicest Christmas presents possible in the arrival of a new great-grand child, Vickie Lee Mackey who made her debut on December 6 at Binghamton City Hospital. Her Mom and Dad are Jim and Helen Mackey.

If Mahlon Hoag ever decides to renounce his present job he can qualify as an assistant

at the North Pole. All his spare time prior to Christmas was spent constructing a puppet stage as a surprise for his grandson Frankie Martin. The finishing touches were the work of Lottie Summerson and Mrs. Hoag, and Frankie's Mom supplied the puppets. Now guests at the house spend more time watching Frankie than they do Kukla, Fran and Ollie on TV.

The Merrill Guild of the Deaf held their Christmas Party on December 18. Gifts were exchanged and everyone had a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard LeVan of Johnson City, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hink of Binghamton and Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Hoag of Endicott were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Summerson of Vestal on New Year's Day.

NORTH DAKOTA . . .

The 12th Biennial Convention of the North Dakota Association of the Deaf will be held June 20-22 at Dickinson, N. D. Pres. Dwight Rafferty of Devils Lake, is working hard to get the convention in readiness. The highlight of the convention will be an all-day tour to the Badlands.

During a recent city-wide celebration at Fargo, Gilman Nordhousen won a warm jacket as a prize. But the lucky prize has been unlucky for Gil because he has to put on the jacket and haul out garbage more often.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Kenyon and family have moved from McClusky, N. D. to Minot, N. D.

Franc Johnson, Devils Lake, spent her Christmas vacation in Mexico, Missouri, to be with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Braunagel, Devils Lake, received a boxful of delicious California oranges from Mary Sladek of Long Beach, Calif. They especially enjoyed them since the Devils Lake markets sell such oranges at a dime each!

MISSOURI . . .

As usual the Kansas City Club for the Deaf's New Year's Eve Party was overcrowded with visitors, both local and out of town. This year's committee consisted of Ed Holonya, Bob Merritt, Bill Priem and Wallis Beaty.

Out-of-towners seen among the crowd were Don Johnson, of Stover, Mo.; Doris Shanks, Osage City; Bob Foster and Bill Doonan, Wichita, Kan.; the Jack Randalls, Jimmy Randall, Peggy Stack, the Willis Ayers, the Thaine Ayers and Eldon McMichael, all of Olathe, Kan.

Jimmy Randall was home for the holidays from Gallaudet. Bob Foster and Dick Phelan, former Kansas Citians, also came home for the Christmas holidays. Bob is now living in Wichita, Kan., while Dick is in St. Louis, Mo.

On Christmas Eve Mrs. Charles Arnett was struck by a car after getting off a street car near her home. She suffered a cut on the side of her head and required hospitalization for a few days.

Harold Price seems to be getting all the bad luck these days. Latest report is a minor leg injury received at his place of employment. Last month his left eye was injured when a can of paint upset as he was carrying it.

Herbert Votaw came in from Denver, Colo., to spend the New Year holidays with his fiancée, Harriett Booth, and her family. The wedding date has been set for April 19th. Herb and Harriett will reside in Denver.

The George Steinhauers and the Herman Vincents were noticeably absent from the Kansas City Club's Watch Party. Reason: they were in Tulsa, Okla., visiting the Ed Hukills and attending the Tulsa Club's party. Patsy Steinhauer accompanied her parents.

The Chicago basketball team made a visit to Kansas City, January 12. Following the game a successful party managed by Jane McPherson took place at the clubrooms. Mar-

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vin Peimann, the Alvin O'Connors and John O'Connor were visitors from Kansas. Door prizes at the party consisted of a year's subscription to *THE SILENT WORKER*, won by Mrs. Graces Jenkins, and a year's subscription to *The American Deaf News*, won by Donald White, of Warrensburg, Mo.

Kenneth Stanley, a Missouri boy who has been working in Montana the past several years, has returned to Kansas City and secured a good position. He joined the Kansas City Club at the January meeting.

Dorothy Meyer and Alta Alms were hostesses to a bridal shower for Kathryn Thate on January 27. Kate left Kansas City February 16 for her home in a Missouri small town to prepare for her marriage to Roy Branton of Illinois on March 1.

Newcomers to Kansas City are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Snyder, formerly of Oakland, Calif.

We have in our midst an interesting personality in *Antonij's Fapins*, a European refugee who came to this country December 7, 1951 via Bremerhaven, Germany, and New Orleans, La. "Tony", as we have nicknamed him, fled the Russians in his native Latvia along with several other deaf. His entrance to our country was made possible through his brother and sister-in-law, who had come here in February 1951.

OHIO . . .

The Christmas weekend found the R. O. Lankenaus in Indianapolis; the Kenneth Kresses in Dayton; and the Alvin Hawks in a small Ohio town. From Washington, D. C., Pat Smith came to spend her vacation with her parents, the H. W. Smiths of Akron.

The 23rd of December found the H. W. Smiths, daughter Pat, son Bob and his family in Zanesville, Ohio, having dinner at the home of Julian, the eldest Smith son.

Mrs. Ruby Holland is recovering from an operation on her right hip. Mrs. William Pfunder is now up and about following an operation which removed a cataract from her left eye last November. She has been confined to her home for a long time.

Mr. A. Pickle and Mr. Phillip Heupel suffered heart attacks the week of January 13. Mr. Townsend was sent home for a few weeks' rest before going back to the hospital for a major operation on his spine.

The annual Christmas party for the OWLS, Akron Chapter, was held at the B. M. Schowe residence, with Dot as hostess. Special guests were Mrs. Blanche Williams and Mrs. Flossie Robinson, who were on their Christmas vacation from the Ohio School at Columbus.

Russell Shannon spent Christmas week vacationing in Virginia while his "poor" wife was the guest of numerous friends in Akron throughout the week.

New car owners are the John Bradleys, '51 Dodge; the Donnaly Wilsons, '51 Cadillac; and the Humes, '49 Buick.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schwartz were host and hostess to twenty-odd guests at their lovely home in Bexley on New Year's Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Katz were visitors to Columbus in early January when they came up from Lorain to return their two offsprings to the school here.

Escaping the wintry blasts during December were Glenna Smethers and Daughter Betty, who posted Mr. and Mrs. Otto Seidowski from Miami Beach, Florida. Glenna and Betty spent much time basking on the warm beach sands whilst the rest of us Ohio folks braved a severe winter. Lucky girls!

Frank Dulton, who left the Ohio school during his senior year, is doing fine as a linotype operator on the Wellsville, Ohio Daily.

Brad Thomas, 1950 graduate of the Ohio school, is working also at a linotype in the printing department of the Hoover Electric Cleaner Co., in North Canton. Brad formerly lived in Salem.

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Buddy of the Silent World...

By Edward Holonya

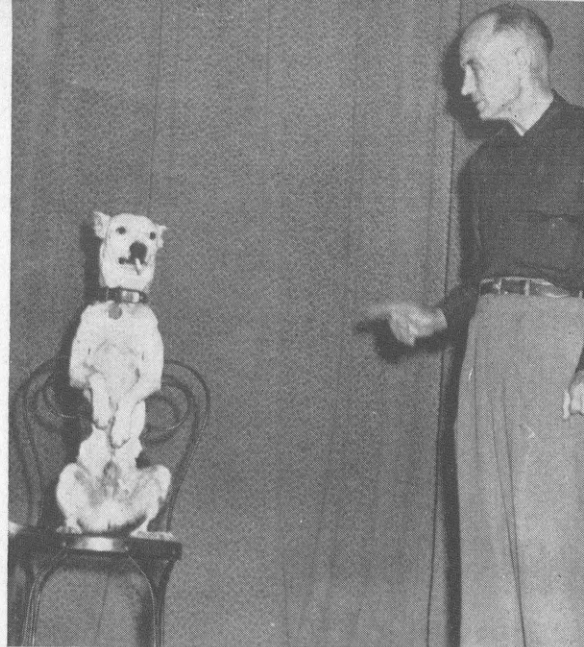
On Saturday evening, November 24, 1951, the Kansas City Club for the Deaf, Incorporated, held a successful bazaar at which a big crowd gathered and had a good time. But this alone was not the single attraction. There was another sensation that held the crowd in silence as the acts were performed. These acts were by Buddy, the deaf dog.

Totally deaf from birth, Buddy followed exceptionally well the gestures and hand signals of his master. Bob Parker, and pleased the audience with his acts. He stood on his hind legs when his master gave an upward swing of his hand. He sat on a chair, his forelegs and head on the back of the chair as if in prayer. He stood like a statue with a lighted cigarette in his mouth. He climbed a ladder, sat on his hind legs, and climbed back down. He stood quietly with a dog biscuit on his nose until his master gave the signal to grab it and eat it. Buddy did all this and much more, touched off by the sign language that his master invented for him.

The audience in the club, being in doubt that Buddy was totally deaf, began to whistle, call his name, or make other sounds that would attract any dog. They wanted Buddy to give away, to show that he was a fakir, and that he could hear. But their tries were in vain. They had to swallow their pride and admit that Buddy was totally deaf, for he remained with his master, unheeded of all kinds of sound about him.

Buddy's birth and birthplace may remain unknown. He was found in the munitions district of Sunflower, Kansas, by Bob Parker. At that time he was a mangy, vicious cur dog. The people of Sunflower asked that Buddy be shot. Bob Parker pleaded with them to leave the dog alone and that he would take him into his own hands. He bought a bagful of ground meat and fed it to the dog little by little, enticing him to follow him. On the way Parker dropped his bag of meat, and a fight for possession of the bag became a free-for-all. After the battle, Parker emerged with a bite on his right hand between the thumb and forefinger, and Buddy emerged vanquished.

Unable to tame the dog, Parker took him to a veterinarian who officially declared Buddy totally deaf at birth. This statement has been verified by other veterinarians. This is what Bob Parker has to say of Buddy's deafness: "I finally figured out that he was deaf. It was because he didn't respond to whistles that gave me the clue. I decided I would train him. It took a long time. There



Buddy sits on his hind legs and enjoys a smoke while waiting for a command from his master. This picture was taken at the Kansas School for the deaf, where Buddy delighted the children with a performance.

was no way to get Buddy to understand. I couldn't speak to him. Other dogs can be trained to heed a manual signal, but they can be contacted by oral signals first. It wasn't like that with Buddy. I had to start from scratch."

That was five years ago. Today Bob Parker still sports the scars on his right hand that changed his as well as Buddy's career. The once vicious and mangy Buddy is now the pride and joy of Olathe, Kansas, where Parker is theater manager of the Trail Theater. Whenever time allows, Mr. Parker takes Buddy on a tour, without charge, showing him before an audience.

Bob Parker recently gave an appearance with Buddy at the Kansas School for the Deaf, Olathe, Kansas. He wanted to show the children that any deaf child, unable to speak orally, can teach any dog to respond to hand signals. It became one of his happiest performances and he has this to say: "That day repaid me for all the time I have spent with the dog. The pleasure that the deaf children got, when they realized that the dog had the same handicap that they had, was a revelation to me. In fact, I had a catch in my throat."

Because his dog is deaf, Parker feels closer to the deaf populace than he ever did before. And knowing that there are many deaf children and adults in other states, Parker said, "If I could afford it, I think I would take him to every deaf school in the country."

Buddy, ninety per cent English Bull and ten per cent Dalmatian, has appeared once on WDAF-TV, Randall Jesse's Community Forum broadcast, as well as the many places where he has entertained children and adults alike. He has appeared in print in several magazines time and again. He has become a sensation and there has always been a full audience wherever Buddy has been shown.

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CALIFORNIA . . .

The Hollywood Silent Recreation Club offered something new in the way of entertainment with their January 12 affair, the "Roaring Twenties" under the enthusiastic direction of young Joseph DiVita. Proceeds went toward the Far West Basketball Tournament Fund.

Alice Lusk of the Santa Fe, N. M., school spent Christmas in Riverside, Calif., and journeyed up to Oakland for the New Year. Jessie Dobson, also of the New Mexico school, was another visitor to Oakland and San Francisco during the holidays. Other visitors in town at the same time were William Dunn and John Poindexter of Susanville.

John and Jerry Fail of Long Beach were also in Oakland for several days, visiting the Luther Conaways, William Wests, Lyle McIntyres, and the R. P. Handleys, prior to welcoming in the New Year at the home of Byron and Caroline Burnes, where Jerry got a good look at THE SILENT WORKER office and spent most of the evening teasing THE SILENT WORKER cat. For a good look at that cute feline, we refer you to page 9, picture 6, of the September issue. Also on their agenda was a trip to their Alma Mater, the Berkeley school. Leo M. Jacobs patiently escorted John, Jerry, Alice Lusk, and Mabel Conaway on what he cheerfully termed a "Cook's Tour" of the school grounds and new buildings.

Mesdames Luther Conaway and William West of Oakland, were presented with honorary memberships in the East Bay Club of the Deaf, a strictly "all-male" organization, in gratitude for their unflinching efforts upon the Club's behalf down through the years. The two ladies are considered indispensable when it comes to providing club entertainment and truly deserve the honor conferred upon them.

Friends of May Ethel Cool, Los Angeles, will be happy to learn that she is slowly improving, following almost two years of serious illness. However, she is still unable to go out except on rare occasions and, in sending in her renewal to THE SILENT WORKER, she says that the little magazine provides her with many pleasant hours of relaxation.

Ross Bailey and Val Cookson are Manager and Coach respectively, of the newly formed Long Beach Basketball team. Among those on the team are Joe LoAlbo, Paul Westmoreland, Neal Letterman, Bob Coats, Henry Huffman, Homer Thextor, Blaine Solvey, Bertram Hall, Dwight Holmes, and Charles Bronder. Dressed in yellow sweaters and blue skirts, cheerleaders Jennie Westmoreland, Ellen Grimes, Mary Sladek, and Jerry Fail evoke much enthusiasm in the Long Beach rooting section.

New residents of Hayward are Mr. and Mrs. William McCracken, erstwhile of Pennsylvania. They have completed the purchase of a brand new house near the home of their son who is employed at the Caterpillar Plant in San Leandro.

Don Glidden is a patient at Alameda Hospital, Oakland, at this writing and is not permitted to have visitors other than members of his immediate family. It is hoped that Don will be well ere we go to press again.

A recent wedding of interest to East Bay residents was the marriage of Tony Peixotto's daughter, Anna Mae, to Howard Briar in a candlelight ceremony at the Church of the Holy Ghost in Centerville.

The engagement of Mrs. Nora Pryor to Mr. Arthur Russell has been announced. The wedding date has not been set. Both are residents of the East Bay and their friends are busily feting the happy pair.

Ben and Mary Mendoza of San Pedro, have acquired ownership of a new Oldsmobile Rocket 88, a dream in pale blue and silver which replaces their '41 Plymouth. John Fail, Long Beach, decided his '50 Chev. was outmoded and traded it in on a Super Olds 88

also after a glimpse of the Mendoza chariot. John's however, is a two-tone grey, and he says he bought the new car especially for Jerry's use as he has an older car for his trips to and from the fishing docks, a fact which his wife greatly appreciates.

Jesse West, Alaskan Sourdough and father of William West, is spending the winter at work in Dawson. Jesse has spent the past four winters with his son and daughter-in-law in Hayward but finds himself too busy this year to make his annual trek south. He finds bitter cold rather uncomfortable, despite his 50 years up there.

Irene Norlund surprised her family and friends with the announcement that she has been Mrs. Jess Land since September when she and Jess were wed secretly. Congratulations are extended Irene and Jess, who are jubilant over the surprise they sprang on their friends.

Doris Wood of South Dakota visited friends and relatives in the East Bay area and found the town so much to her liking that she is seeking employment here in the hope of remaining permanently. She worked for three years in a government office in Detroit, Mich., and an insurance office in Minnesota.

News of Northern California may be sent to Mrs. William West, 21835 Vallejo Street, Hayward, Calif., or Mrs. Luther Conaway, 37 Croxton, Oakland.

James B. Lloyd of San Diego enjoyed a visit from his mother and step-father during January. They came out from Nebraska and were enchanted with California's sunshine.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Welch, El Monte, were involved in an auto accident December 18 but fortunately were unhurt. Friends of Virginia and Odean Rasmussen, Riveria, are sorry to learn that they were both badly hurt January 6 when Odean rammed into a parked car. Odean suffered a badly bruised chest from the steering wheel and Virginia was hospitalized for four days with a cracked vertebra. The couple's '50 Ford was damaged extensively.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wieman, Portland, Ore., are current visitors in Long Beach and Webster Wheeler of Galveston gave local Texans a grand surprise when he showed up at the Los Angeles-Oakland basketball game in L. A. on January 19. Webster hopes to secure employment in the southland, preferably in Long Beach. Herbert Johnson, St. Paul, Minn., is in Oakland hoping to find work there and make the city his home.

Recent announcements in the local papers tell us of the engagements of Phyllis Randi and Jack Sewell, both of Long Beach, and Marjorie Pickett, Garden Grove, and Francis Heisterman, San Pedro. No dates have yet been set for the two weddings. Congratulations, young people!

KENTUCKY . . .

Many of the Danville deaf deserted town when school closed for the Christmas holidays. The Daniel Middletons motored to the western part of Kentucky to visit their families; the Russell Burkes, to London, Ky., to visit Doris' folks. Virginia Ward spent her vacation in Arkansas getting acquainted with her new niece, while Mary Kannapell renewed acquaintances with a niece and nephew in St. Louis, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Balasa spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. James Jehn in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hoffmeyer and children spent Christmas Day with the Elkins family, and in the evening the Alfred Marshalls and daughter dropped in for a visit.

A Flinch Party at the Alfred Marshalls home on December 28 was enjoyed by Joe and Mary Balasa, Mary Woollslayer, Pauline Wikerson, Claude and Kathleen Hoffmeyer, Earl and Gertie Elkins, James and Beulah Hester, and Dr. George M. McClure, Sr. Dr. McClure won the prize for high score, while Joe Balasa carried off the booby prize.

Dr. George M. McClure, Sr., Mr. and Mrs.

Alfred Marshall, and Carolyn were dinner guests of the Elkins family on December 30.

New Year's Eve found the James Hesters and the Alfred Marshalls in Louisville to attend the Watch Party given by the LAD.

The Joe Balasas, the Claude Hoffmeyers, and the Terry Johnsons gathered at the Earl Elkins home for a Dutch Treat on New Year's Eve and spent a pleasant evening playing cards and other games.

The James Hesters have purchased a blue '49 Plymouth. Guess Danvillians won't be seeing much of them on week-ends now.

Garland Best of Danville, a pupil at Kendall School, was home for the holidays and reports he likes Kendall and Washington immensely.

Mrs. Sallie Reid of Moreland, Ky., spent the Christmas holidays in Cincinnati with her daughters and their families. While there she enjoyed a visit with an old friend, Mary Lee Lakes in Hamilton, Ohio.

Mrs. Grace Webb, formerly of Allen, Ky., has purchased a home in Lexington so that she can be near her daughters.

Carrie Sue Procknaw has moved from Memphis, Tenn., to Louisville, Ky., where she has a position with a hardware store.

Miss Joan Kannapell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kannapell of Louisville, was married to Mr. James Owens at Church of Christ, the King.

Officers for the year 1952 of Lexington's Blue Grass Association of the Deaf are: Arvel Anderson, pres.; Marvin Wilder, vice-pres.; Fred Bablitz, secy.; and Ernest Brewer, treas.

Charles King was in Danville on New Year's Day with a load of tobacco to sell. Charles has a farm near the Kentucky-Tennessee state line.

Mrs. Edwin Wilder and daughter Priscilla Ann, of Lexington, went to Akron, Ohio, to visit their aunt and uncle, the Fred Vogliotis, on December 20 and returned December 29th with Edwin and his father, Oscar, who motored to Akron to bring them home.

KANSAS . . .

Jack Billy Norton, a returned Korean veteran, spent his 30-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Norton, (Viola Rowden), last autumn and returned again for a fifteen day visit at Christmas, much to the happiness of his family.

Wichita was glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Holcomb of Sioux Falls, S. D., just before Christmas when they stopped at the local Club en route to Texas, where they spent Christmas with relatives. The Holcombs are on the staff of the South Dakota School.

Others who visited Wichita during Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Price; Ralph Kelly, guest of Wilbur Schuler in Ness City; Evelene Herrman of Liebhenthal, Kans. and a senior at KSD, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Georgianna Brown.

Those who went out of town for the New Year celebration were Frankie Lehr of Newton, and Bob Jantz and Thaine Smith of Wichita, to Dallas, Tex.

In the hospital for operations during the early part of the year were Mary Hamant, Virgil Wellborn, and Archie Grier. All are home now, recuperating.

Mrs. H. E. Vanderveen, (Nora Keach), of Kahuku, Hawaii, arrived by plane after a 16 hour flight to be with her father, Burchard Keach of Wichita, January 7. Her husband also came by plane January 19 and brought many lovely Hawaiian Leis for the women folks of the family.

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TEXAS . . .

Mrs. Dick Myers of Dallas, spent ten days during mid-December with relatives in Denver, Colo., and other points.

Visitors to Dallas during the early winter were: Richard Jennings, former Wichita, Kan., basketball star; Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Lewis, guests of the Doyle Kerrs; and Mr. and Mrs. J. Batt Davis, of West, Texas. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Milan Butler, and Mrs. Butler's brother Adolph Weber, of Kansas City, who were in Dallas to collect their furniture and take it back to their new abode in Kansas metropolis. The Butler family will be greatly missed by all local deaf.

Visiting Dallas and Galveston during the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Baird of Detroit, Mich. They returned home via New Orleans, hoping to be back in Detroit in time to welcome the New Year.

New officers of the Lubbock, Texas, chapter of the TAD are: Guthrie Williams, pres.; Carl Lucado, vice-pres.; James Watson, 2nd vice-pres.; Edna Sudduth, sec'y.; Mrs. Guthrie Williams, treas.; Geddie Sudduth, sergeant; and R. G. Wilcoxson, Liscom Harvey, Virgil Bowman, trustees.

Ben Harmon, Lubbock, is taking a course in accounting at a local business college. That is what he does with his evenings and it keeps him quite busy.

The J. C. Strachans, former residents of San Antonio, have been living in Odessa the past four months and it appears that they will remain in Odessa permanently, much to the regret of their friends in S. A.

Mrs. Joe Katz, a patient in Wichita Falls Hospital, was brought home to Fort Worth late in November and is doing nicely. The Katzs played hosts recently to Mr. and Mrs. Olan Lawrence and Boyce Jones of Lubbock. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence left the end of December for California on a belated honeymoon.

Announcing their engagement are Jessie Bailey and Raymond Martinez, both of Amarillo. No date has yet been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lynn, Houston, have purchased some land and plan to erect a home there in the not-too-distant future. Already installed in their brand new cottage out on Baytown Highway near Jacinto City, are Mr. and Mrs. Allan Williams.

Former residents of California, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence C. Schumacher, are back in Texas living with his sister in Galveston for a while. Lawrence is reportedly looking for employment and hopes to find it in Houston.

Geneva Flo Hill has become very much in demand due to her gift for story telling. She gave a reading, "The Bishop's Jaegers", at the Dallas Club not long ago. President Barton and his assistants also put on a stage show the same evening and many people are begging for more of the same.

Installation Held By Los Angeles Desoms

Wallace K. Gibson was installed Worthy Master of Los Angeles Lodge No. 2, Order of Desoms (Deaf Sons of Master Masons), in ceremonies held at Hollywood Masonic Temple January 7, 1952, with Past Master Frank L. Bush as installing officer and Julius L. Myers of the Masonic Order as installing recorder.

Other officers installed were J. Duncan Fea, Junior Master; Ellsworth E. Davis, Recorder; Clarence H. Doane, Treasurer; Charles F. Dore, Guide; Frank G. Pokorak, Jr. Sentinel; Frank L. Bush, Chaplain; Elmer F. Long, Marshal; Milton M. Miller, Flag-bearer.

NEBRASKA . . .

George Propp of Omaha, teacher at the Nebraska School, president of the Omaha Club, and both coach and manager of the OCD basketball team, dropped everything when the school closed for the yuletide season and became a tourist for a long two weeks. He went to Washington, D. C., where he stayed with the Tom Cuscadens and visited as much of Washington as he could, then up to New York for a few days making a fast return trip in time to report to work.

George wrote a long and interesting account of the trip in the OCD News and here are some excerpts that are too good to pass up for THE SILENT WORKER readers: "Covered more than 3000 miles and visited 12 states—3 days of traveling and generating friction between the seat of my pants and a coach chair" . . . "never found out which way is North in Washington—street arrangement so confusing, which probably explains the great number of congressmen running around in circles" . . . "biggest disappointment in N. Y.—Times Square in daylight; and biggest thrill in N.Y. Times Square at night."

The OCD Watch Party, managed by Don Nurenberger, chairman, with the rest of the committee from the OCD basketball team: Art Nelson, Norbert Knobbe, James Spatz, Dick Bailey, Arvid Trickey and Ervin Holub, and held at Swedish Auditorium in Omaha the night of December 31, was a big success, both financially and socially.

The Nebraska Association of the Deaf is most happy to announce that the selection of the convention committee for the 1952 N.A.D. convention at Scottsbluff, Neb., has been completed. The members of the committee are: Alexander Reichert, Chairman; of Gering; Mrs. Paul Barnes, Bridgeport; Edward Maier, Arapahoe; Mrs. Doral Owens, Stockville; Ivan Howsden, Alma; and Arthur Nelson, Omaha. It will be the first time in the history of the NAD that a convention has been held outside of either Omaha or Lincoln, and Scottsbluff is 450 miles west of Omaha.

At the January meeting of Omaha Frat. Div. No. 32 the new officers were sworn in: John Rewolinski, pres.; Ben Delchoy, vice-pres.; Thomas Peterson, secy.; Elvin Miller, treas.; Delbert Cooper, director; Don Boone, sgt.;

and Don Dey, new third trustee. At the same meeting there were two "come backs" who joined again after a lapse of years. They are John Scheneman and Robert Mullin, who are most happy to be back in the fold.

Charles Falk of Omaha, found himself two hours late for work at the Nebraska School one day in December. But it was no fault of his own. It had snowed quite heavily the night before and traffic was almost at a standstill during the early morning hours. Falk had left his home at 7 and arrived at the school at 9, although the school is but a 20-minute ride from his home.

The OCD basketball quintet journeyed to Sioux Falls, S. D., for a game with the Chat and Nibble Club and took the game 48-43.

WASHINGTON . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Aandahl of Los Angeles were dinner guests at the Lyle Sorensen residence in Seattle recently. They were returning home from a visit to relatives in North Dakota. Other guests were Messrs. and Mesdames Thomas Gomez, Randall Stavee, Wallace Hall, and Miss Sarah Shemaria.

Wilbur Moore, who has spent the past several years in Alaska, appeared at the New Year party held in Seattle. He was called upon to render "Coming Thru the Rye", which he did in his own comical fashion.

Seattle welcomes the addition of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoague to the community. The Hoagues moved down from Moses Lake and Robert has a job with a local electric motor company where Richard Roth is also employed.

John Wallace, Spokane, has returned from several weeks in California where he went on business. He also took a much needed rest while down south.

The Paxton Riddles are very busy at present, remodeling their home bought not long ago. Paxton is an expert carpenter so the home will most certainly be the last word in modern convenience.

Mrs. Edna Bertram has returned to her home in Seattle after spending three months in San Mateo, Calif., as the guest of Genevieve Sink.

Our Washington correspondent is Ethel Sanders, 3024 First Ave., Seattle.

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MISSISSIPPI . . .

Thomas Craft, after several years of difficulty, has at last begun to go places with his shoe shop in Picayune.

Friends of Dow and Edna Thompson who wonder where they are now, will be glad to learn that Dow and Edna are living happily in Poplarville and Dow is doing well as a body and fender repair man in a shop there.

Others who have moved are the Van Johnson family, who are living in Memphis, Tenn., where Van and his brother have bought a large farm. The Tommy Harbisons are now located in Akron, Ohio. Tommy is employed at the Akron Goodyear Factory.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McMullan and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Greene of Meridian, were recent visitors to Jackson, Miss.

Billy Walker of Greenwood, was in Jackson not long ago. Friends say that Billy is in line to become foreman of the print shop where he works.

Others who have moved lately, and whose whereabouts you might be interested in, are: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Griffin, from Memphis, Tenn., to Mobile, Ala.; Melvin Harper, former assistant coach of the MSD, to Chicago, where he is working in a print shop; Miss Joy Jones to Chicago, where she is employed by the Globe Weaving Co.; Mr. and Mrs. Leland Reaves to Tuscaloosa, Ala. Leland holds down a steady job there as linotyper.

CONNECTICUT . . .

Mary Lawlor accidentally hurt her right elbow on a machine in her place of employment. At the time it occurred she hardly gave it much thought. It was just a "knock", but in a few weeks she could scarcely move her arm and had to seek medical attention. The arm's much better though not yet quite well.

At the last business meeting of the Women's Glory Club of Hartford election of new officers for 1952 took place. The results were as follows: Mrs. Ruth Ecker, president; Mrs. Ruth Clarke, vice-president; Mrs. Hazel Vinci, secretary; Mrs. Robert Wilson, treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jarvis have purchased a new house, of six rooms with an all-electric kitchen, in Wilson. The NEGA, of which Mr. Jarvis is president, will have a convention in Springfield, Mass. August 30, 31 and September 1, 1952 with headquarters at Hotel Kimball. Douglas Cameron is the general chairman and Arno Klopfer and John Haggerty, co-chairmen and William Osmola, treasurer.

The Waterbury Frats held open house the evening of January 12, which saw a crowd of Hartfordites present. After closing time about 18 people gathered at the home of the Ed Bell-mays till the wee sma' hours.

Francis Keating has been spending all his spare time remodeling his farmhouse in Sandy Hook.

The Herman Steckers' son Russell, who was graduated from Gallaudet College last May with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Science, is holding down a Government job as a physicist's aide in the National Bureau of Standards in Washington, D. C.

For Mrs. Herman Stecker's birthday, Mike Lapides treated her and the family to a dinner at the Oakdale Tavern, which is located on the highway in Wallingford. It is the only inn in New England at which Washington did not stop, the menu card stated.

Mr. and Mrs. Clement Blakney, both of the Old Hartford School, have received their final U. S. citizenship papers. Mrs. Blakney lost her citizenship status when she married her husband, a Canadian.

Reuben Morris is a happy man these days. The reason is two-fold. He has won a Ford in a twenty-five cent drawing and it has solved his problem of how to get to work.

The Leek Clarks are expecting a brand new Pontiac. Mrs. Ida Clark has been attending classes at the auto school learning how to

drive and week-ends her son Chester guides her while she practices driving his car.

As it was vacation time for the pupils during Christmas, it was also for the teachers. The Gordon Clarkes, teachers at the American School, had as their house-guests for several days the Fritz Ruckdeshels of the Providence School and Margaret McKellar of the Overlea School in Baltimore.

Rae Martino was home from her duties as a teacher at the Rome School during the Christmas holidays and stayed with her married sister in Waterbury. She took time to visit friends in Waterbury and elsewhere.

The exterior of Mrs. Dougherty's home is now clean-looking, thanks to Lev Blanchard and Lou Hall, who gave it a fresh coat of paint. Lev took his aunt Mamie Oxley and Mrs. Dougherty to Fitchburg, Mass., to visit his sister Evelyn for several days during Christmas.

Hazel Waite nearly spent her Christmas in the hospital. She was operated on for appendicitis, but was up and about just before her fiancé, Joe Kindred, came from Indianapolis to spend Christmas with her and family.

To escape the wintry blast of New England, Caroline Platt drove to Florida with her two cousins and had a truly wonderful time basking in the warm Florida sun.

OREGON . . .

The newest of newly-weds in the City of Roses are Phyllis Weber of Vancouver, B. C., and Harold Whitmer of Portland. Our belated, but sincere, congratulations go to the happy young couple.

Roy Nye is the latest addition to the new car owner list. Roy plans to go eastward in the spring, to visit that certain someone in Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. La Farves of Salem, Ore., have recently purchased a Plymouth.

The Moffett Browns, who went to St. Louis, Mo., in the early fall, are back with us again. They returned to Portland in time for the Christmas holidays.

The Dewey Deers of Vancouver, Wash., have moved into their new home and Mrs. Deer is busily putting the finishing touches to the interior.

A newcomer in our midst is Bob Jones from Los Angeles, Calif. Upon his arrival, Bob liked the local Club so well he signed right up as a member.

The Rose City Club is beginning its third successful year, with Willis Van Roekle at the helm as president. Willis stands ready to tackle any undertaking and the club seems well on the road toward success and a large membership.

MARYLAND . . .

Edith and Marcellus Kleberg went to New York for the four-day Christmas weekend and stayed with her brother and sister-in-law, the Paul Allerups. The only friends the Klebergs found time to visit were the Spencer Hoags for a few hours and Ruth Scharf, who came over Christmas Day.

On December 23, Margaret and Boyd Yates entertained Irene and Bob Stanley at dinner. On December 28, the Yateses invited Edith Radcliffe and Edith and Marcellus Kleberg to dinner after which they all played a card game called "Dirty Eight."

Rev. Otto Berg held a monthly service in St. Paul's Chapel of All Saints' Church on January 13. After the service, Rev. Berg selected Jeff Sharp as Warden, Marcellus Kleberg as Treasurer and Donald Leitch, a pupil of M.S.S.D. as assistant treasurer.

John Ager of Hyattsville, who was graduated from M.S.S.D. last June, was rumored to have had an automobile accident recently. How serious his injuries might be was not ascertained. He was said to have hit another car.

A clipping from the Louisville Courier Journal for December 16, contains a photo-

graph of one of the Falls Cities Central States Deaf Bowling teams with Mary Brown, a former Maryland School student, as Captain. Mary now lives with her mother in New Albany, Ind., where she is permanently employed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kindya, nee Margaret Samuels, spent the recent holidays in Baltimore. The Kindyas moved to Chicago not long ago.

Fred Tschiffely spent Christmas with his sister in Washington, D. C., and Misses Doris Fansler, Virginia Huffman, and Alice Smith spent their holidays in Pittsburgh. They all returned for the New Year.

Elizabeth Moss gave herself a marvelous Christmas gift when she acquired ownership of a new Plymouth. Her satisfaction with the new car is emphasized by the nickname she gave it, "Dandy."

Another new car owner is Clyde Graham, who took advantage of a good trade-in offer on his '49 DeSoto. He now drives a '52 4-door DeSoto sedan.

Candidate for the title of meanest thief hereabouts is the burglar who broke into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Saierski a week before Christmas. Wedding gifts, money, and articles of clothing were taken from the residence. Mrs. Saierski is the former Josephine Bushey.

It was indeed a nice Christmas for Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pfeiler because their eldest son, Joey, was able to spend a furlough with them in Baltimore. Joey has finished boot training and is stationed at Great Lakes.

The Leroy Amberg home in Loch Raven was the setting for a surprise party on December 9 when Mrs. Amberg and Mrs. G. Watson entertained numerous guests honoring the tenth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Amberg.

Early in December the Howard Ambergs called the police when they found their Buick missing from its usual parking place in front of their home. On Christmas Eve, residents two blocks from the Ambergs called police complaining that a car had been left in front of their home for several days. The car was identified as belonging to the Ambergs and the only damage was a broken side window, an empty gas tank and a rifled glove compartment.

IOWA . . .

Mrs. Virginia Hewitt, her small daughter, and her mother and sister, are right fortunate people. They are currently visiting in the sunny climes of California whilst the rest of the folks here in Iowa shiver in below zero weather with a foot of snow on the ground.

Ralph Clayton is still employed on the swing shift at Solar Aircraft Co. in Des Moines. Mrs. Clayton was recently presented a new television set by Ralph, perhaps in hopes it would pacify her for his absence evenings.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Marxer journeyed down to Shreveport, La., for the New Year holiday. Larry's brother was married there on December 30.

Mrs. Dan Kirievsky and little Donna of White Bear Lake, Minn., enjoyed several days in November at Boone, Ia., with the Hugh Courtiers and Dorothy Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Deurmeyer and son Steven of Lincoln, Neb., called on Des Moines friends during the Christmas holidays while they were guests of Virginia's parents.

Mrs. Edward Hans is recuperating nicely at home after an illness which confined her to Mercy Hospital for nearly a month. Mr. Hans and daughter Kathy are happy again to have Mother at home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Haynies, nee Irvine, and daughters sold their Des Moines home last fall and are now settled in a newly purchased home in Mount Gilead, Ohio, Mrs. Haynie's home state.

Mrs. Albert Buettner was called to Rockford, Ill., in late November to assist in the care of

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Six Deaf Octogenarians Celebrate More than Half Century of Wedded Bliss

Some time ago a misinformed writer loaded with lots of theory and little fact published a remark that the deaf die young. It is too bad he was not able to witness the golden wedding celebrations of the deaf couples in these pictures.

One couple, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Bixler, 88 and 81, respectively, 1958 65th Street, Los Angeles, California, celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary last October 5th. The Bixlers both came from Indiana, where they attended the Indiana State School for the Deaf. Mr. Bixler also attended the Illinois School for a time.

During the past five years Mr. Bixler has been completely blind, but he enjoys life in the eventide. Mrs. Bixler is active, and seemingly robust. She occasionally attends the Los Angeles Ladies' Sunshine Circle of the Deaf. The Bixlers had four children, two of whom are now living.

Another couple, Mr. and Mrs. Omar F. Harshman, respectively 80 and 81, 1343 South LaVerne Avenue, East Los Angeles, celebrated their fifty-fifth anniversary last November 2. They live in the house Omar built 28 years ago.

The Harshmans love company, and when they are alone they keep them-

selves busy in the house and yard. In the evenings they play dominoes and Chinese checkers, or read the papers and pass comments on the events of the day. Incidentally, Mrs. Harshman is a sister of the famed Luther (Dummy) Taylor, the old New York Giant pitcher. He visited the Harshmans last year and spent several weeks with them.

Last in our octogenarian triumvirate are Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Moore, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Moore spent several months with their daughter in San Diego and on September 26 they were feted on their 58th wedding anniversary.

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her ill mother. Upon her return to Des Moines, a Fifteenth Wedding Anniversary party, belated, was given honoring the Buettners at the Calvary Lutheran Church.

Lenny Warshawsky, prexy of the AAAD, of Chicago, was in Des Moines December 8 as guest speaker at the Des Moines Silent Club. He spoke on the aims of the AAAD and was well received.

The Des Moines Silents Basketball team have hit the winning stride again after losing the first game of the season to the Omaha Club by one point. Since then they have defeated St. Louis twice, Kansas City, Sioux Falls, and Milwaukee. In the latest game the Des Moines players sported new uniforms which were donated by the local union No. 169 of Armstrong Rubber Mfg. Co.

Those from Des Moines making out of town trips during this Christmas season included: Marie Mahoney to her old stamping grounds in Dubuque; Gerald Froehle to Bancroft; LeRoy and Blanche Wycoff to her sister's in Omaha; Marvin Tuttle and the Billy Rogers to the parental home near Cherokee.

Friends of Mrs. John Robinson are happy to see her up and about again after a long illness which had confined her to her home.

Willie Young is back in circulation after a fall some time ago while at work. His foot is still in a cast and he will not be able to resume work before March.

We are indebted to Mrs. Edith Montgomery for the Iowa news and readers may send all Iowa news to her at 4040 First Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

ARKANSAS . . .

Mrs. Ethel Henderson greatly enjoyed her visit to the Tulsa, Okla. Silent Club during December. Almost all visitors to Tulsa come away telling how much they enjoyed themselves amongst the deaf of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Civitz of Wisconsin, have returned to spend the winter months with Mrs. Civitz's parents in Fort Smith.

Lindy Jones is among the new students now attending the school for the deaf in Little Rock. She likes the school, her studies, and the new friends she has made there.

Friends of Mrs. Ella Boyles will be happy to learn that she is almost completely recovered following her hospitalization in Little Rock not long ago.

Mrs. Levi Ross's cousin, M. H. Johnson, was an early December visitor to Little Rock.

WISCONSIN . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Meyer of Milwaukee have returned from a three weeks' trip to California. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Yolles and children returned home January 5th after visiting Mrs. Yolles' parents in Pennsylvania during the holidays.

The Thirteenth Annual Wisconsin Deaf Bowling Tournament will be held in Milwaukee (continued on page 24)

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. John Jakones, Saginaw, Mich., Oct. 14, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Dean, Zwalle, La., Nov. 2, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wells, Beloit, Wis., Nov. 2, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barbin, Baton Rouge, La., Nov. 9, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. William Gasper, Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 10, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. J. Bucci, Natick, R. I., Nov. 15, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Dry, Baton Rouge, La., Nov. 15, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Willis Berke, Council Bluffs, Ia., Nov. 16, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Bela Pevarnick, New York, N. Y., Nov. 16, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Munz, Mackville, Kan., Nov. 16, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Spencer, Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 17, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Willard Foreman, Baton Rouge, La., Nov. 18, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Preston Taylor, Covington, Ky., Nov. 19, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. James Higgins, Boston, Mass., Nov. 19, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edwards, Berkeley, Calif., Nov. 22, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ceraci, Cincinnati, Ohio, Nov. 24, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Milhoun, Burbank, Calif., Nov. 27, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Teater, Omaha, Neb., Dec. 1, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ryan, Hartford, Conn., Dec. 1, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Gail Hansen, Marion, Iowa, Dec. 1, twin boys.
Mr. and Mrs. Francis Huffman, Chicago, Ill., Dec. 2, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Millikan, Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 3, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walford, Salem, Ore., Dec. 3, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fulton, Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 5, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Warren, Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 9, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Robin Chestnut, Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 12, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corey, Berkeley, Calif., Dec. 15, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Noble Powers, Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 17, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Brotherton, Barberton, Ohio, Dec. 27, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Weingold, Birmingham, Mich., Dec. 27, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Venetic, Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27, a boy.



Mrs. Frank O. Sanders, 58, of Fulton, Mo., was instantly killed on January 13 when an automobile in which she was riding with her husband was struck by another car. Mr. Sanders suffered bruises and a back injury. Mr. and Mrs. Sanders had lived in Fulton two years, where he is instructor in tailoring at the Missouri School. They formerly operated a tailoring and cleaning business in Noel, Mo. Besides her husband, Mrs. Sanders is survived by three daughters and a brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Culpepper, Belton, S. C., Jan. 1, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Burton Schmidt, Riverside, Calif., Jan. 6, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Phillips, Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 8, a girl.

MARRIAGES:

Kenneth Brown and Betty Goodyear, Dayton, Ohio, Oct. 12.
George Marco, Toronto, Can., and Joyce B. Thompson, Regina, Sask., Can., Oct. 20.
Trevor Hughes, Holland Patent, N. Y., and Esther A. Kellogg, Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 20.
Peter Di Cesare, Utica, N. Y., and Angeline Cacciatore, Frankfort, N. Y., Oct. 20.
Robert Lynch and Dorothy Rohrer, Canton, Ohio, Oct. 20.
Milton D. Favrow and Mrs. Emmariel McKay, Tacoma, Wash., Oct. 24.
Milton Strger, Hamilton, Tex., and Vivian Davis, Ft. Worth, Texas, Oct. 25.
Ervin Hartwell, Council Bluffs, Ia., and Katherine Hartwell, Omaha, Neb., Oct. 26.
Carl Gaines and Melba Seyer, New Orleans, La., Oct. 27.
Gerald Smalley and Flourine Knaup, Pittsburg, Kan., Oct. 27.
Donald Head and Mariette Hailey, Louisville, Ky., Oct. 27.
Cyrus Pettit and Betty Pierce, Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 27.
Casmir Jakubowski, Lackawanna, N. Y., and Phyllis Gambel, Lockport, N. Y., Oct. 27.
Ray Lawrence, Sacramento, Calif., and Lora Porter, San Francisco, Oct. 28.
Edward Proshek and Marilyn Davis, Toledo, Ohio, Nov. 3.
Harold E. Schultz and Anne K. Hutton, Lubbock, Texas, Nov. 9.
Robert M. Welch and Georgia Humphrey, Portland, Ore., Nov. 9.
Seymour Shaffer, Rock Island, Ill., and Alice Whitmore, Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 10.
John F. Sellstrom, Houston, Tex., and Jane Geer, Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 10.

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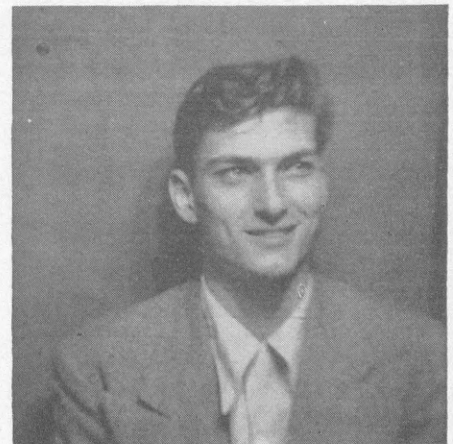
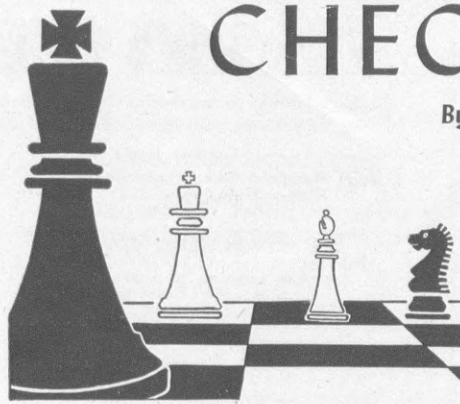
Bernard Argule and Irene Winderman, New York, N. Y., Nov. 11.
 Alex W. Ekman and Betty McEdwards Thomas, Los Angeles, Calif., Nov. 17.
 Harry Sharavsky, Philadelphia, Pa., and Molly Marateck, Shenandoah, Pa., Nov. 18.
 Henry Johnson, Los Angeles, Calif., and Patricia Ann Boettcher, Michigan, Nov. 18.
 Wallace Cassanova and Marilyn Johnson, Biloxi, Miss., Nov. 18.
 Charles A. Watson and Dorothy Young, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 22.
 Max Floyd, Midland, Tex., and Catherine Coker, Crisp, Tex., Nov. 22.
 Wallace Hall, Seattle, Wash., and Jo Ann McDowell, Chowchilla, Calif., Nov. 24.
 Grant L. Becker, Boone, Ia., and Norma Folland, Grand River, Ia., Nov. 24.
 Andrew Beckham and Martha Rhodes, Waco, Tex., Nov. 24.
 Frank Orgill and Mary Jane Hood, Los Angeles, Calif., Nov. 24.
 Ason Bonnette and Hysince Barlin, Warksville, La., Nov. 25.
 Virgil Grubbs and Thelma Simpson, Richmond, Calif., November.
 Burchel Speer, Alvord, Tex., and Mrs. Helen Richards Lewton, Fort Worth, Tex., November.
 Don Milwee and Billie Jo Blevins, Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 1.
 Louis C. Schuman, Hollywood, Calif., and Virginia Clinnin, Chicago, Ill., Dec. 1.
 John W. Hildebrand and Jeanne C. Holtgrue, Dec. 2.
 William Harris and Florence Mason Carpenter, Norfolk, Va., Dec. 15.
 Romeo F. Dare and Myrtle L. Keyes, Portland, Ore., Dec. 15.
 Howard Friedman, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Miriam Freedman, Montreal, Can., Dec. 16.
 Lawrence Schott and Evelyn Sidebottom, Louisville, Ky., Dec. 22.
 Berchard Fisher, Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Marlene Landis, Franklin, Ohio, Dec. 24.
 Dr. Odie W. Underhill and Miss Mildred K. Parker, Morganton, N. C., Dec. 29.

DEATHS:

Mrs. John F. Lorimer, Providence, R. I., Oct. 31.
 Miss Annie Einolf, 75, Delavan, Wis., Nov. 6.
 Mrs. Mary E. Black, 71, nee Finnerty, Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 7.
 Leonard M. Carlson, Portland, Ore., Nov. 12.
 Fred Fenske, Barron, Wis., Nov. 15. Killed in auto collision with a bus.
 Mrs. Wilbur Sawhill, 30, Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 16.
 Clayton Pringle, 82, Clermont, Ia., Nov. 21.
 Roy Minniear, 32, Sacramento, Calif., Nov. 21. Struck by automobile.
 James Irvan Weeks, Virginia, Nov. 22.
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CHECKMATE!

By "Loco" Ladner



LOWELL J. MYERS

Lowell J. Myers of Chicago is another of our promising deaf men, not only in chess, but also in the business world.

He is only twenty-one and still single. He became deaf at the age of twelve from a progressive nerve deafness. He secured the Bachelor of Science Degree from Roosevelt College and the Master of Business Arts degree from the University of Chicago.

He is employed as a public accountant and auditor and is preparing for the Certified Public Accountant's examination to be held in Washington, D.C. If he passes the exam, he plans to enter law school. Would this make him the only deaf C.P.A. in the country?

Mr. Myers learned to play chess when he was eight years old. He has never kept any scores so we are unable to publish any of his games. He is now playing in the Second National Tournament and perhaps we can publish one of his games later.

Chess in Great Britain

From what we read in the *British Deaf Times*, in its chess column, the deaf go for chess in a big way. The Second British Deaf Chess Congress has just been completed with F. N. Wood as the Class A winner. There were nineteen competitors in the several class tournaments. There are several chess clubs competing against one another. The chess column is conducted by someone named "Bon Accord" and he is doing an excellent job. We would suggest he publish games of the outstanding deaf players instead of having games of masters.

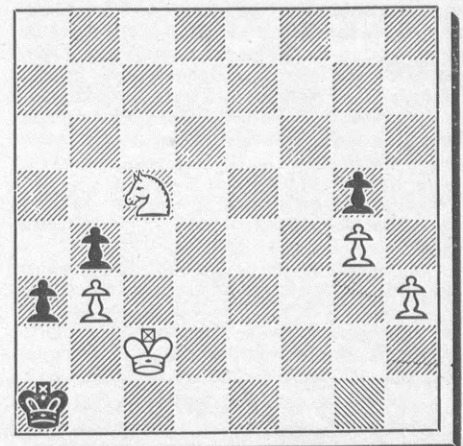
Berkeley Chess Club

The annual championship was retained by Leandro Maldonado as he drew his final game and finished with six wins, no losses, and one draw. Second place was taken by Emil Ladner with four wins, one loss, and one draw. Others in the club are Louis Ruggeri, Oliver Johnson, Leo Jacobs, Lester Naftaly, George Fromm, Byron B. Burnes, Harold Ramger, Henry Bruns, and Frank C. Horton.

Here is a game ending from one of the club's games. It ended in a draw but a post mortem revealed that White

could have won it. We will let our readers figure out how White could have done so:

BLACK



WHITE TO MOVE AND WIN.
 (White moves up the board.)

Odds and Ends

Mrs. M. A. Kleberg of Frederick, Maryland, sent us the following clipping for which we thank her: "Is chess played with human chessmen? In Stroebeck, in Germany's Hartz Mountains, every year a Chess Festival is held in this quaint old village, the main feature of which is a chess game in which the natives, dressed as kings, queens, bishops, knights, rooks, and pawns, act as human chess pieces! According to legend, chess was introduced to Stroebeck in 1011 by the Count of Gungelin, who was being held prisoner in the village tower. To pass the time, the nobleman carved two sets of chessmen from wood, and played the game with his right hand opposing his left. The villagers who served as his guards learned the game and then taught it to their families. Today, chess is even part of the school curriculum in Stroebeck."

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waukee May 3-4. Headquarters will be at Hotel Antlers with John Braclaus as general chairman.

Myron Lesniak, of Milwaukee, underwent major surgery at Mount Sinai Hospital January 12. He is now on the road to recovery.

The second rally of the NAD will be held at the Milwaukee Silent Club on Saturday, May 10. George Gordon Kannappell of Louisville, Ky., a board member of the NAD, will be one of the speakers. Mrs. Sophia Rubin is general chairman.

Julius M. Salzer attended the funeral of his brother, Dr. Moses Salzer, in Cincinnati, Ohio on January 8.

Misses Harriett Booth (an assistant news editor for THE SILENT WORKER), Erlene and Georgetta Graybill, Bill Prim, LeeOda Flaspohler, all of Kansas City, Mo.; Miss Josephine Little of Chicago; Lester F. Wilson, of Weston, Mo.; Frank Doctor and Clinton Coffey of Olathe, Kans.; and Richard V. Phelan and Joe Carrico of St. Louis, Mo., accompanied the basketball players and Coach Albert Stack, of the Kansas City Club for the Deaf, which arrived in Milwaukee Saturday, January 5, for a game with the Milwaukee Silents in which they lost. The Milwaukee Club entertained with a hot supper, cooked by Coach Toney Panella's wife.

SOUTH CAROLINA . . .

Mrs. Fred Yates was given a surprise shower by Mrs. Earl Brown at her home in Spartanburg December 8. She received many lovely gifts from the ladies present, amongst whom were Mesdames Palmer Johnson, Nettie Frierson, Reuben Reeves, Ralph Barnes, Hubert Rhinehart, A. White, A. D. Surratt, Hughey Anderson, Hubert Poston, Lyon Dickson, Max Brown, Ruth Bartlett, and Misses Sarah Cherry and Betty Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Culpepper of Belton announce the birth of a son born January 1st. Mrs. Culpepper is the former Helen Heath.

The Central Carolina Club of the Deaf of Columbia defeated the Hickory Club of the Deaf, Hickory, N. C., in a basketball game at Columbia on January 5. Game was close, however, with the score being 50-46.

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This Lorello Ace

As told to Alexander Fleischman by Seymour Bernstein

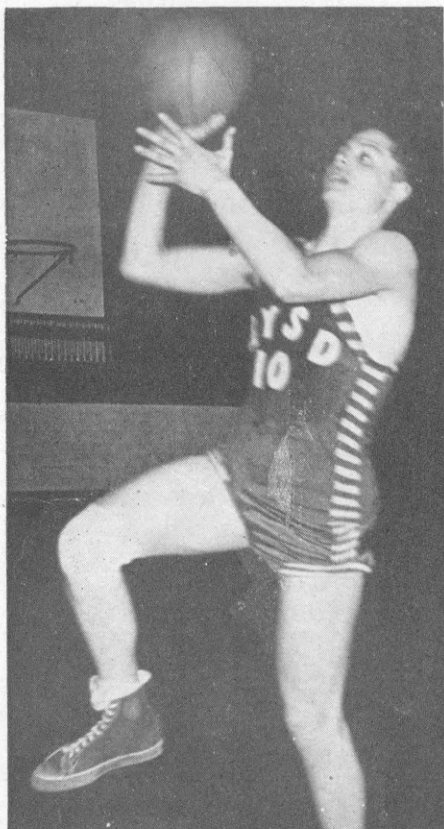
WITH THE BASKETBALL season in the midst of fierce battles aiming for regional and national glory, there is an overwhelming flow of praise and mention circulating in the Eastern states of an ACE on the hardwood. The New



ALEX FLEISCHMAN

York Yankees baseball team used to carry its famous slogan, "As DiMaggio goes, so go the Yankees." The Golden Tornadoes Athletic Club, Inc., an infant athletic group of deaf young men in New York City, has adopted a similar slogan, "As Lorello goes, so go the Golden Tornadoes." Who is this much talked about Lorello? How did he come to gain the spotlight among sports fans of his vicinity? The highlight of this story shines on Carl Joseph Lorello, Jr., who is considered the all-time greatest basketball player in Greater New York and is a cinch to cop the same laurels some day which are today shared by such court greats as Angel Acuna, Marvin Tuttle, Clyde Nutt, J. L. Jackson, and Larry Marxer.

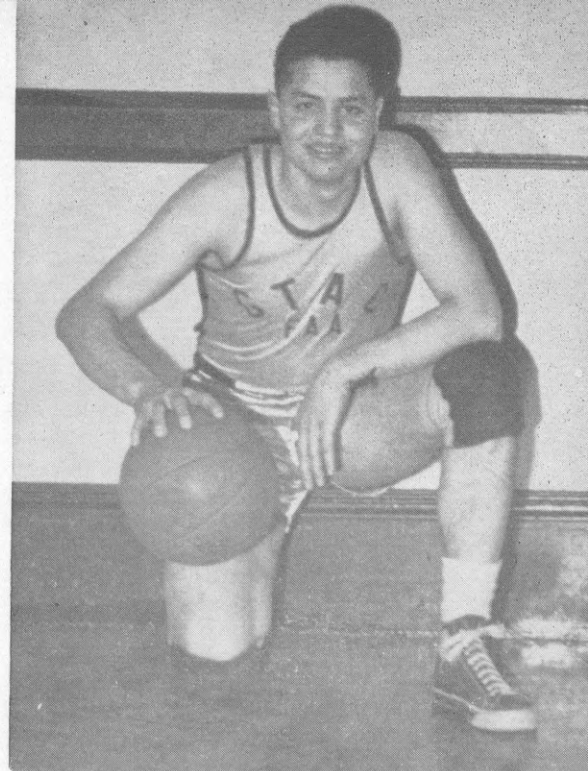
Below, a characteristic shot of Carl Lorello as he goes up for a shot at the basket. Here Carl is shown during his senior year at the New York School for the Deaf.



Born January 31, 1929, in Corona, Long Island, N. Y., Carl, Jr., is the second of four boys. Their dad was once a pugilist in the featherweight class under the name of Sol Barnada. His boxing career came to an end when the Senior's father, an Italian immigrant, noticed his picture in the local newspapers and forbade his son ever to fight again. The Senior then turned to the baseball diamond and was a noted ex-semi-pro outfielder. When he took to matrimony, all his sports activities became a closed chapter.

Let us describe the brothers briefly before we go on with the story. Michael, the oldest of the four, came to the New York School for the Deaf (Fanwood) in 1934 but left in 1945 to help support the big family. He held an honorable post on the Junior Varsity basketball team for two years. He excels better as an ace pitcher for the Golden Tornadoes on sandlots. His greatest feat was pitching three tournament games one summer to win the championship title for his team in an invitational meet at Hartford, Conn. Thomas, the third, attended Public School 47, a city public day school for the deaf, and in 1947 enrolled at Fanwood for vocational training. He sparkled on the hardwood which easily led him to be placed on the all-star team in the Eastern States School for the Deaf basketball tournament twice, and was named to THE SILENT WORKER'S All-America school for the deaf team as a guard. He also won the outstanding player award on the sandlot in 1950. This season he is a playmate of Carl, Jr., specializing in trick plays. James, the youngest of the four, possesses a good percentage of hearing. After graduating from Public School 47 in 1949, he tried to enroll at Fanwood. Due to the amount of hearing he possessed, his application was rejected. Currently, he is a substitute player on the Golden Tornadoes and promises to be as great as Carl, Jr., in some two years hence.

Now the story of Carl, Jr., makes its debut. He started his education at Fanwood in 1934. Although he is a quiet chap, his blood pressure usually spurts



Carl Lorello in the uniform of the Golden Tornadoes Athletic Club, Inc., New York City. He is the most talked about basketball player in deaf circles.

high when he is active at play. Up to the age of 14, his dreams and ambitions were centered mainly on being a great baseball player. Basketball was far from his liking and he classed the sport "for sissies only." Joseph Worzel, once a hardwood great and then coach of Fanwood, introduced Carl to basketball and urged him to try out for the team in 1944. Upon finding Carl could play very well and handle the ball naturally, Coach Worzel immediately placed him on the Junior Varsity as a regular at the age of 15. Although his team had no wins and 10 losses, Carl scored 141 points. This was the first sign that he could be a great basketball handler.

The next season (1945-46) under the present coach of Fanwood, Paul T. Kennedy, he was a regular forward on the Varsity team at the age of 16. The team had a successful season, winning 12 and losing only 4. Carl led the scoring punch with 226 points. During the 1946-47 season, he sparked with a 465 total in 22 games against Class A, B, and C high schools for an average of 21 points per game. During this span, while celebrating his 17th birthday, he ran up a 43-point game and four days later topped this with 51 points. Thanks to Carl, Fanwood for the first time



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copped the championship at the Westchester County Invitational Tournament. For his outstanding performance that season, he earned himself a berth on *The Cavalier's* All America schools for the deaf team. When the 1947-48 season rolled around he was averaging 25.5 per game, basketing a total of 578 points in 23 games. He increased his record total points in one game to 54 tallies. He was mentioned in Jimmy Powers' *New York Daily News* "Powerhouse" column as a sure bet for the school boy Hall of Fame around the Eastern states. Sports writers from different papers had come to see him play. For the second straight year he led all scorers in Westchester County as *The Cavalier* again placed him on its All-American team. In his senior year (1948-49) he established an all-time high of 694 points and paved the way for the New York school team to win its first Eastern States Schools for the Deaf Basketball Tournament. He scored 32 points in the final game to decide this championship against the 1948 champions, Western Pennsylvania. The score was 81-84. He was voted the outstanding player of the tourney and for the third time *The Cavalier* selected him on the All-American team, a feat no other player in the past had achieved. Gordon Ridings, coach of Columbia University, was ready to extend an invitation to Carl to play on the Columbia five, but due to his deafness, the invitation never became a reality. Let us not overlook the fact that his splendid record in basketball did not overshadow his baseball and football activities. He possesses the record of being the only one in Fanwood to pitch a no-hit no-run game. As a quarterback, his greatest moment was when he scored the only touchdown against Hamilton High School, Fanwood's bitterest grid rival, to take possession of the annual "brown jug."

Today at 23, Carl Lorello, Jr., is still a mighty conqueror on the hardwood. As a forward on the Golden Tornadoes team, he tallied 572 points in his first two years. It is small wonder that this newly-organized group was able to win the New York State Athletic Association of the Deaf title easily. For his efforts, he walked off with the most valuable player trophy twice.

Speaking with Carl, Jr., one finds a well-mannered stocky 5' 11" lad with shining eyes who seems to figure more achievements. We cannot blame this ace for dreaming of bigger and tougher basketball battles and we are pretty sure that among them is playing in and winning the national American Athletic Association of the Deaf championship for his Golden Tornadoes. Hence, it is plain to see why the East hails the slogan, "As Lorello goes, so go the Golden Tornadoes."



Spearheaded by Capt. Carl Lorello, this 1949 edition of the New York School for the Deaf basketball team captured the championship in the 17th annual Eastern States Schools for the Deaf Basketball Tournament, defeating the defending champions of the Western Pa. School in the finals 81 to 48. It was the first time a Fanwood team finished in first place. Kneeling, l. to r.: Ray Lee, Ernest Davin, Buddy Trochelman, Herbert Rothenberg, Dom Marinaro. Standing, Coach Paul Kennedy, Carl Lorello, Don Neuneger, Abe Israelowitz, Hugo Guidi, Joseph Charm.

Lorello as I Know Him

By Max Friedman

Editor's Note: The writer had Carl Lorello, Jr., as a youngster while teaching at the Fanwood School, and coached the Golden Tornadoes for two years. He is at present secretary-treasurer of the Eastern Athletic Association of the Deaf, and is a linotype operator for a daily newspaper in New York City.

To fully realize what a great player and sportsman Carl is you'll have to have the background of his team. For the past two years the Golden Tornadoes were in a sense marking time, waiting for those other boys to graduate from Fanwood to round out the team they knew they were going to have. The one victory in my life I have ever regretted was the defeat of Buffalo in the 1950 state finals. It pushed the team into the limelight before it was ready and drew attention to it which it did not rate. That was one game I will not forget. The Tornadoes' path to the finals was not too difficult and they played under wraps, just getting by in their semi-final. The strategy paid off. Buffalo under-estimated the team and took it easy the first half, as they often did when they were sure they could win. By the time Buffalo decided it was time to quit fooling, it was too late. They had, and still have, a fatal weakness. They were a poor team on rebounds. The Tornadoes had only to get the ball and feed Carl.

As I said, the team was not ready. It had speed and youth and one great shotmaker. Newark, a smart team, knew just how to exploit their weakness. But those weaknesses are not there this year and I am sorry Newark has practically disbanded its team.

Well, for the past two years, Carl has been carrying the team pretty near-

ly all by himself, and it is a measure of his greatness that he never complained about the shortcomings of his teammates but did not hesitate to blame himself when he had a day that did not, in his opinion, measure up. In the situation in which he found himself, I would not have blamed him if he had vented the spleen of a prima donna. Instead, he held the team together. On easy games he was content to feed the others, decoying guards out of position to let his teammates make the plays. In tough games he was a "money player" and rarely did he fail to come through. Having him on the floor was like having a coach there. He could scent out a situation and shift his teammates to take advantage of it.

Carl is ideally built for the game. He is always relaxed, without a bulging muscle on him. He has the grace and reflexes of a cat, a razor sharp mind, courage to burn and the temperament of a saint.

Some have pointed out to me that defensively Carl is not so hot. I say Carl is better in this department than most, and if he did not try to do too much but would be content to let his teammates carry their own loads he would look better. Carl has looked good the past two years. Now, with the right support, he will look even better. Fans who see Carl in action get a treat.

You'll see Carl Lorello and his Golden Tornadoes in Houston this month. They will give a very good account of themselves. They have something they didn't have last year—height, and other players to take up the shooting slack so Carl Lorello won't be the only dangerous man for their opponents to guard.

Skyline of Houston, Texas, largest City in the South, and host of the 8th Annual AAAD National Basketball Tournament March 27-30, 1952.

Houston Busy Preparing for AAAD Title Games

By Gordon B. Allen

WITH OPEN ARMS stretching from the tip of the Rio Grande to the swamps of Sabine Pass, Houston and the Great Southwest are ready to welcome you, one and all, to the Eighth AAAD National Basketball Tournament March 27-30, 1952. The Houston Association of the Deaf has left nothing undone to assure you the best of all that is to be had. The Club will be celebrating its eighth anniversary and, though it is the youngest club to sponsor the tournament, it has forsaken its knee pants for the traditional 10-gallon hat and chaps.

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Soon after the great battle of San Jacinto, April 21, 1836, when Texas won its freedom from Mexico, a couple of Yankee brothers, A. C. and J. K. Allen came from New York and settled on the banks of Buffalo Bayou 18 miles from the battleground. They laid out a city and named it after the leader of the Texans in that great battle for freedom, General Sam Houston. Thus began the city of our Eighth AAAD cagefest. As

a promotional scheme the Allens sought and won for Houston the first capital of the Republic of Texas. The capitol building was where the Rice Hotel, our tournament headquarters now stands. That started Houston's prosperity and it is now the country's fastest growing city, ranking 14th in population. Example, five years ago Houston had 18 telephone exchanges. Now it has 44. Houston has the largest per capita wealth of any city in the world. (Brother, can you spare a dime?)

You will like Houston's wide, straight streets and its shiny-new buildings. A ride out South Main street to the plushy Shamrock hotel five miles from downtown might give you the impression the town was built last month and opened to the public last week. Farther out there is the arts museum, Hermann park and zoo, Rice Institute and its new and most modern 70,000 seat stadium with the playing field 25 feet below ground level, the \$100 million medical center, the swank eating places and drive-ins serving the modern glamburgers, shamburgers, someburgers, sissyburgers, forever amburgers and the same old fashioned hamburgers, the \$27 million Shamrock in its 63 shades of green built by Irishman Glen McCarthy. A pleasant Sunday drive.

Out in East End at 3800 Cullen Drive is the Public School Fieldhouse where the tourney games will be played in an air conditioned gymnasium with all



Above, the Houston Public School Fieldhouse Gymnasium, site of the AAAD national cagefest. With a seating capacity of 2,500, this gym is used by high school and University of Houston cagers during the winter months. The gym has eight exits and is completely air conditioned. Right, Pard, we give you the bunch o'dudes who will guide the reins for the Eighth Annual AAAD National Tournament. Left to right: Gordon B. Allen, Early McVey, Jeanette McVey, Lois Long, Helen Bourque, Murphy Bourque, Russell Lavender. Rear: Frank Clark, Malcolm Pace, Sr., Glenan Scott, Berndt Blomdahl, Malcolm Pace, Jr., Eugene Piercy, Glynn Whittemore, and Fred Gunn. Now, we have shown up part of the city of Houston, the scene of the tournament in the spacious, air cooled gymnasium, and the Texas folks who are aiming to make your visit pleasant. We are waiting to welcome you all to Houston.



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Like each succeeding tournament city we want to make Houston's the best and are determined to do so with something new and different. Business meetings will be held all day Thursday, March 27. Games start Friday, there being eight on that day and four Saturday. The four losers in the first round will still have a chance for third place. Season tickets for all 12 games will go for \$4.80 or 40 cents a game. Free transportation will be furnished from place of arrival to headquarters for all who notify us. Visiting teams will be taken to a 6-goal gym for warmups Thursday afternoon and night, no charge. Players, coaches, managers will be given passes to everything and sports writers and score keepers will be assigned seats with unobstructed view of the games. Smoke all you like—air conditioned, you know.

Are you coming? Good! We knew you would.

Hole in One

In the October, 1951, number of *THE SILENT WORKER*, Sheldon Taubert, of St. Paul, Minnesota, was reported as having scored a hole in one on a St. Paul golf course. It was stated that Taubert was believed to be the first deaf golfer to accomplish the feat.

It has been learned that Wilbur Sawhill shot a hole in one at Woodside Golf Course, Des Moines, Iowa, on July 13, 1946. Sawhill connected for his ace on the 110-yard 16th Lake Hole and it was witnessed by Edward Hans, another deaf golfer. Until another comes along, Sawhill will have to receive credit for being the first.

Deaf golfers have been playing the game for a long time and there may be others who have scored the coveted hole in one. If anyone knows of a deaf golfer who has prior claim to the Sawhill and Taubert records, *THE SILENT WORKER* will be glad to help run down the first ace shotmaker. It seems that the feat has never been accomplished in the MDGA tournaments.

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Released by Alexander Fleischman
AAAD Publicity Director

The first three months of the year provide a great deal of AAADism. Despite this "disease," we are mighty proud we are its victims. AAADism is no illness but rather inspiration to boost the young men who go out on the hardwood to show 'em what they have and can do.

Basketball and scores are the talk of the nation these days in deafdom, nothing else matters. While teams are busily engaged in whipping each other, host cities are in a huddle preparing for their coming tournaments. This is how AAADism is spreading, the young play and fight to strengthen their team and sportsmanship while their elders and more experienced work to turn out a successful tourney and add their club's name on the map.

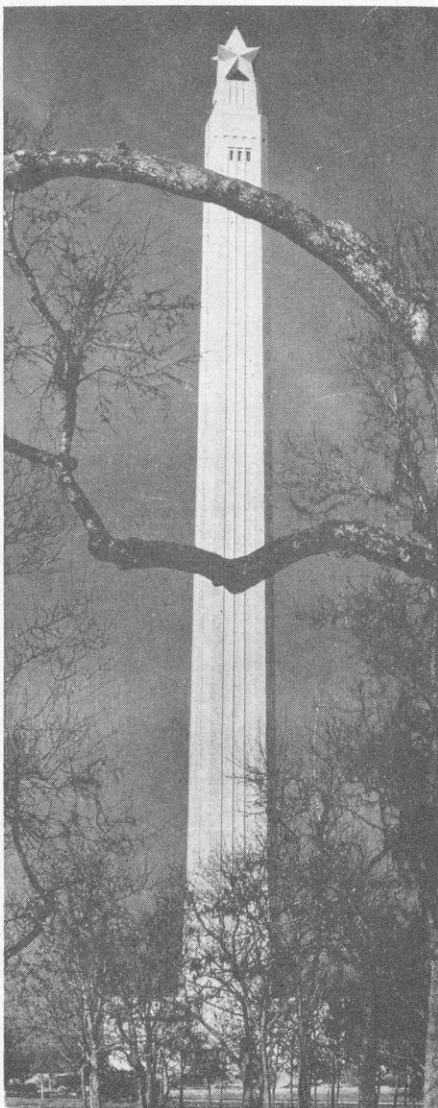
By putting all these efforts together, we find that AAADism has been the cause of more clubs, more teams, more sports activities, more travel, and above

all more good will spreading. Right here we salute the daring past national hosts. Under capable management they have encaved their clubs' names in history and have gone places. Let us look back to some of the pioneer AAADism believers like Akron, Detroit, Philadelphia and Oakland—all now owning clubhouses. Indianapolis may soon join this group. They went out to spread the AAADism gospel and their efforts earned them a clean profit to go places. Net profits of these past hosts were Akron \$1,047; Chicago \$661; Detroit \$1,004; Philadelphia \$1,085; Oakland \$4,367; Washington \$2,709; Indianapolis \$3,401.

Houston is another disciple preaching AAADism and is ready to spread the welcome mat for the eighth annual shindig. Houston is pronounced HUE-STON or HOO-STON and not HOUSE-STON, nevertheless, Houstonians are out to do things big. We heartily recommend the greatest athletic event in the Southwest for your greatest spring vacation. March 27-30 is an ideal weekend in the Southwest and visitors coming to Houston will find it the most air conditioned city in the world. Host Houston Association of the Deaf and its splendid committee have arranged everything (plus surprises) for your comfort.

Our damyankee visitors would and should feel at ease too because Houston founders, the Allen brothers, were from New York, where they were in the real estate business. Houston's first mayor was a Yankee from Hartford, Conn., and the first and last presidents of the Republic of Texas were from New Jersey and Massachusetts respectively. Houston's present mayor, Oscar Holcomb, who is serving his tenth year (20 years but not consecutively), was one of the pioneers of the present day traffic light system. Hence Houston's intricate system, one intersection. Waugh and Buffalo Drives, has 44 different lamps.

Arrivals at the Grand Central Station should pause and look around a minute for the little hill 3 or 4 blocks from the Houston Association of the Deaf headquarters was once known as Vinegar Hill, its principal street was Tin Can Alley and its ruler was anvil-handed woman, Caroline Riley or Queen Caroline, an expert with knives and six-shooters and was also known as the One-Eyed Terror of The Hill. Added to Houston wonders is the claim of having the country's prettiest girls. The reason for this claim is what is known to us as Textotic Texappeal.



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Jan. '52	\$56,512.38
Dec. '51	53,887.46
Nov. '51	52,280.16
Oct. '51	51,235.16
Sept., '51	49,957.11
Aug., '51	48,818.91
July, '51	46,786.61
June, '51	43,944.45
May, '51	43,496.66
April, '51	41,868.86
March, '51	40,315.17
Feb., '51	40,315.17
Jan., '51	39,738.17
Dec., '50	38,987.19
Nov., '50	37,746.99
Oct., '50	36,693.49
Sept., '50	35,553.49
Aug., '50	34,751.49
July, '50	34,048.55
June, '50	33,454.55
May, '50	32,108.35
Apr., '50	31,392.35
Mar., '50	29,699.24
Feb., '50	25,133.44
Jan., '50	23,898.44
12-31-49	23,216.44
6-30-49	21,896.44
1946	14,752.82
1940	12,698.76
1937	14,740.95
1934	15,116.90
1930	11,151.20
1926	8,365.05
1923	5,387.89
1920	3,510.99
1918	2,878.04
1917	1,592.03
1915	979.04
1913	228.00
1907	28.51

THE N. A. D. ENDOWMENT FUND THERMOMETER

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1037 LIFE MEMBERS AS OF
JULY, 1949

2046 as of January, 1952

National Association of the Deaf

Byron B. Burnes, President

Robert M. Greenmun, Sec.-Treas.

Report from the N.A.D. Endowment Fund Headquarters:

\$56,512.38 IN CASH!
7,820.00 IN PLEDGES!!
2,560.00 IN L.M. PLEDGES!!!

\$66,892.38 TOTALS!!!!

An increase of \$1074.92 in totals over last issue's totals . . . and we now have 2046 Life Members as compared to 2012 last month.

Readers, watch out . . . I'm in a writing mood!

The \$1000 contribution came as a pleasant surprise to us . . .

THE MAY COMPANY
Cleveland, Ohio

Dec. 19, 1951

National Association for the Deaf
c/o Herman S. Cahen
2616 University Blvd.
University Heights 18, Ohio
Gentlemen:

The Louis D. Beaumont Foundation Inc. is pleased to send you the enclosed check for \$1000, which may be used by you as you may see fit for the purpose of your very worthy organization.

The aforesaid Foundation was created by the late Louis D. Beaumont, who was one of the founders of The May Department Stores Company, of which The May Company of Cleveland is a part.

With our very best wishes, we are,

Yours very truly,

LOUIS D. BEAUMONT FOUNDATION INC.

Nathan L. Dauby, President

Morton J. May

Nathan Loeser, Trustees

As you will see, it was addressed to Herman S. Cahen who has been one of the strong stalwarts of the N.A.D. for years. In a letter to me he wrote that I could expect additional contributions of \$100 each from other Clevelanders soon. Thanks a lot, Herman. In case some of you are not familiar with Herman S. Cahen, he has been one of the indefatigable workers for various organizations in and around Cleveland; was President of the Great Lakes Deaf Bowling Association for many years; one of the top deaf bowlers; the General Chairman of the highly successful 1949 N.A.D. Convention in Cleveland; a member of the NAD CENTURY CLUB; and a skilled inventor of time and labor-saving machines pertaining to printing.

There was a \$100 contribution not so long ago from a deaf person . . . it came in the form of a Christmas Savings Club check. The letter that went with the check went like this in part, "... I believe many of the deaf could afford to join The Century Club via a simple way—by joining Christmas Savings Clubs at their banks or other places having such accounts . . . easier on the pockets . . ."

The Omaha Club of the Deaf has joined The Century Club . . . by dint

of sending \$25 at various times . . . these payments came at most opportune times. The members were determined to have their club on The Century Club roster . . . their determination paid off. Thanks a lot, Omaha Club of the Deaf.

The Chicago Allied Organizations of the Deaf held its 2nd N.A.D. Rally on Nov. 10—with the same chairman, John A. Kelly. A check for \$307.92 as the net proceeds came in the mail the other day from Kelly. That along with \$580 earned Oct. 7, 1950 makes a total of \$887.92 this fine group has helped the N.A.D. with. A salute to those who helped to make these two rallies a whopping success.

I have in my possession a badly-mangled envelope addressed to the NAD Chicago office—one of these "Business Reply Envelopes"—this envelope was returned to Chicago from the Hyattsville, Maryland, Postoffice along with the notation, "THIS MAIL WAS UN-AVOIDABLY DAMAGED BY A TRAIN" . . . Inasmuch as there was nothing inside the envelope, I am wondering if there was anybody from Hyattsville whose contribution or membership fee has not been acknowledged. Believe that the envelope was returned to us in October 1951 or so.

Here's the final report of the 1951 roster of various organizations who either held N.A.D. rallies and/or conventions during which revenue was added to the Endowment Fund.

Miami Society of the Deaf	3/24	\$ 412.00
New York City	4/14	3,384.36
Indiana Assn. of the Deaf (Indianapolis Chapter)	4/28	839.40
*South Bend Assn. of the Deaf	5/12	465.49
Columbus Assn. of the Deaf	5/26	438.70
Utah Assn. of the Deaf		
NAD Hour	5/26	201.00
Rose City Club of the Deaf (Portland, Ore.)	6/22	32.75
Washington State Assn. of the Deaf (Pre-Convention)	6/23	486.00
xWashington State Assn. of the Deaf (During Convention 6/30-7/4)		320.00
xOklahoma Assn. of the Deaf Convention	6/29-7/1	440.00
xN.F.S.D. Convention - Collections	7/15-7/20	1,800.00
South Dakota Assn. of the Deaf (Sioux Falls)	7/29	80.00
xFetters' Reunion (Ohio) August		20.30
xPenna. Society for the Deaf Convention	8/24-2/26	424.00
Houston Assn. of the Deaf	9/2	548.00
Kentucky Assn. of the Deaf Rally	9/2	844.55
Mobile, Alabama, Meeting	9/4	55.00
Binghamton (N.Y.) Civic Assn. of the Deaf	10/6	1,358.50
Cameron M. E. Church for the Deaf	10/20	126.00

*Greater Cincinnati Silent Club Inc.	10/20	486.00
*Dallas Silent Club	11/3	270.00
California School for the Deaf Students, NAD Week	11/10	157.17
*Chicago Allied Organizations of the Deaf	11/10	358.92
East Bay, San Francisco and San Jose Clubs for the Deaf	11/10	1,171.00
*Sponsored Two NAD Rallies		
x-Conventions where no special affairs for the N.A.D. were held . . . attended by N.A.D. Representatives who did missionary work.		

The requests for copies of the N.A.D. educational pamphlets, "The Unique Handicap of the Deaf Child," "The Nature of Deafness," "The Truth About Lipreading," and "Stop This Racket" (aimed at the peddling racket) as well as other informative booklets have been pouring into the Chicago office. As it is, Mrs. Bray is getting to be quite a good shipping clerk. Hope she doesn't wrap up and ship herself by mistake one of these days.

In fairness to the NAD and others, we have decided to charge a straight price of 75c per 100 copies postpaid, to anyone desiring quantities of the aforementioned educational pamphlets.

There are a few NAD Rallies scheduled to pop up between now and the Austin Convention . . . in St. Louis, Milwaukee, and a couple other cities whose names I can't think of now. Dates have not been decided on for some of these.

Signing off for this issue only . . .
LARRY N. YOLLES

Contributors to the Endowment Fund During the Month of January, 1952

December 21 through January 17

The Louis D. Beaumont Foundation—\$1000.
The Caravan Sunday School Class of Talladega, Alabama—\$8.75.
Chicago Allied Organizations of the Deaf NAD Rally—\$307.92 in addition to \$580.00 raised during the 1950 NAD Rally.
Alfred G. Eaton, Australia—\$2.50.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Harper—\$100—2nd \$100 contributed.
Arsene J. Morneau—\$100.
Omaha Club of the Deaf—\$25 in addition to \$75 previously contributed.
John M. Paul, Australia—\$2.50.
John Poplawski—\$3—In memory of Julius M. Salzer's brother—Passed Away 1/6/52.
George Henry Ruby—\$1.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stokes—\$10 in addition to \$100 previously contributed.
Julius M. Salzer—\$10—In memory of his brother, Dr. Moses Salzer (\$160 total contributed to date).

Letters to the Editor

Editor:

The Department believes that the article "Churches in the Deaf World" by Wesley Lauritsen in your issue of December 1951 will be useful to the government's overseas information program. It therefore asks your permission to reprint and distribute this article through its information officers abroad, to foreign magazines or newspapers in continental Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, the Far East, Africa, and to the French language press in Canada, for republication . . . Your favorable consideration of this request will constitute a definite contribution to the Campaign of Truth.

(Miss) ROYCE MOCH, Chief,
Field Publications Unit,
Department of State.

Editor:

. . . The pictures of the dedication ceremony (Dec. 1951) evoked pleasant memories. It is gratifying to know that our old home is devoted to this benevolent work . . .

EARL WARREN,
Governor of California.

Editor:

In this letters you will see a cheque for which I are going to pay for a distribution of THE SILENT WORKER for a year . . .

I were very much interested in the english language, especially on the American life . . . I hope I could get a American deaf pennfriend to write with, and learn some more English in this way. Perhaps you will write an advertisement for me in THE SILENT WORKER? to get a deaf penn friend to write with . . . I am Danish but work in Sweden and had also worked in Norway. My age is 23. It should be pleasant for me to reads new numbers of THE SILENT WORKER which I think is the best all the world over for deaf.

BORGE J. OLESEN,
Gothenburg, Sweden.

To any reader wishing to correspond with Mr. Olesen, we will gladly send his address.—Ed.

Editor:

The perpetual beef the deaf of America have with the hearing aid companies in

their advertising is tantamount to butting the head against a stone wall.

In the first place, colloquial American English . . . has no use for the tongue-twister "hard-of-hearing." The average person simply cannot use the term hard-of-hearing when "deaf" is so handy. For instance, in Oakland, Calif., recently a bar owner was mistaken for a burglar and shot by a policeman when he did not heed the warning to "halt or I shoot." The papers, incidentally reported that the bar owner was deaf. He was not deaf; he was hard of hearing . . . If the bar owner had really been deaf, as most of your readers are, he would have been reported as "a deaf-mute" . . .

It just seems to me that the organized deaf should devote their time to more valuable efforts than beefing about hearing aid advertising that misleads no one.

BERTT LEPENDORF,
Oakland, California.

The Oakland newspaper in reporting the incident mentioned by Mr. Lependorf described the bar owner as "partially deaf", indicating that the editor or reporter has at least heard something about our publicity efforts to educate the public as to the difference between the deaf and the hard of hearing. If Mr. Lependorf thinks the N.A.D. doesn't devote the greater proportion of its time to other valuable efforts, let him visit the NAD president's office in Oakland and have a look at the files.—Ed.

Editor:

. . . I wish I knew why most so-called pure oral educators of deaf children do not use or learn the sign language and finger spelling—the American deaf citizen's indispensable method of intelligible conversation . . . Most of the educators seldom or never mingle with deaf citizens outside the schools . . .

Some time ago a school superintendent urged the educators to take off their cellophane wrappers and come out where the people live. He said, "I have never understood how some educators I have known thought they could prepare boys and girls to live in a world concerning which they themselves were almost totally uninformed . . ."

CARL B. SMITH,
Battle Creek, Michigan.

Endowment Fund Contributions from Clubs, Assns., Schools and Sponsors of NAD Rallies

Binghamton (N.Y.) Civic Assn. of the Deaf N.A.D. Night	42.50	Merry-Go-Rounders	10.00
The Caravan Sunday School Class of Talladega, Alabama	8.75	Miami Society of the Deaf N.A.D. Night	20.00
Greater Cincinnati Silent Club N.A.D. Night	68.63	Milwaukee Silent Club N.A.D. Night	82.17
Columbus (Indiana) Pep Club N.A.D. Night	5.50	Northwestern Ohio Association of the Deaf	10.00
Dallas Silent Club N.A.D. Night	42.00	Rose City Club of the Deaf N.A.D. Night (Portland, Ore.)	24.75
District of Columbia Club of the Deaf N.A.D. Night	62.82	Scranton (Pa.) Association of the Deaf	5.00
Fettlers' Reunion (Ohio)	20.30	Silent Athletic Club of Denver N.A.D. Night	22.60
Fort Worth N.A.D. Night	30.00	South Bend N.A.D. Night	37.83
Great Falls (Montana) Silent Club	10.00	South Bend Association of the Deaf Ladies' Club	18.60
Hartford (Conn.) Club of the Deaf N.A.D. Rally	50.00	South Dakota Association of the Deaf N.A.D. Rally	36.00
The Laro Club	5.00	St. John's School for the Deaf, Milwaukee	25.00
Little Rock Association For the Deaf	3.00	Toledo Deaf Motorists Club	10.00
Los Angeles Club N.A.D. Night	20.00	Union League of the Deaf	25.00

The Answer Box

This department is conducted by Lawrence Newman, 713 No. Madison St., Rome, New York

Question for this month:

If you suddenly regained your hearing what is the first thing you would do?

Having been deaf for more years than I can count on the fingers of both hands, my first reaction, should I suddenly regain my hearing, would naturally be to stuff cotton in my ears to shut out the unaccustomed din. After that, assuming that such a miracle could come to pass, the first thing I would really do would be to grab a telephone, and out of sheer ecstasy call numbers all day long to celebrate my total release from having to beg, bribe or cajole others to perform that frequent and necessary service for me.

NATHAN ZIMBLE, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

If I suddenly regained my hearing, I really do not know what would be the first thing that I would do. I have be-



come so accustomed to my deafness of some sixty years that I have never tried to imagine what I would do first in case my hearing were suddenly restored. Now that I have begun

to think of such an eventuality, I believe that I might plug my ears at once to keep out the many strange noises. I might pinch myself to make sure that I was not merely dreaming. Or I might decide at once to keep the whole matter secret so that I could eavesdrop among those who presumed me still as deaf as a door nail! I recall that after I suddenly became deaf I would grunt to myself upon awakening to see if my hearing had returned during the night. Likewise, if my hearing were suddenly restored, I might grunt to myself every morning upon awakening to see if my ability to hear had vanished again while I was asleep.

HARLEY D. DRAKE, Piqua, Ohio

A sudden strong light after a period of total darkness can be quite painful. Then . . . if I suddenly regained my hearing, I'd naturally seek sanctuary from the blaring din of this world. Intermittent exposure to increasing volume of sound should prepare me for a renewal of my education from high school thru four years of accredited college. Upon completion of this plan I would join the Marines for at least a four-year hitch. Then comes the piano lessons. But, oh, you'd just as well ask

a child what he wants for Santa Claus to bring him.

VICTOR GALLOWAY, Washington, D.C.

The first thing to do will be the most difficult because I will be full of confusion due to the different kinds of noise to which my ears are not accustomed. Gradually I will listen to the different sounds of different words making sure I am not dreaming by pinching myself.



I have lived in silence for years and years and have so enjoyed my work as NAD representative of New England States, as President of the N.E.G.A., as a plain member of the N.F.S.D., and now as chairman of the Hartford Statue Fund Drive that I doubt if regaining my hearing will make me happy. I doubt it because it might mean I'll have to resign from all Associations of the deaf which have become a part of my life. It'll mean I'll have to try living anew and make new friends.

H. V. JARVIS, Wilson, Connecticut

Your question is extremely difficult to answer. Who can tell what he or she would do in an emotional crisis like that? I imagine though that the sudden impact of sound would cause me to put my hands over my ears. I would next want to hear the voices of my loved ones. turn on our television set for sound effects, and probably try to hear over the telephone, that instrument of frustration to all the deaf.

MRS. ROBERT SKINNER, Los Angeles, California

Brother, wotta question to ask! But I wish it would happen not only to me, but to all of us as well—just to be rid of the controversy over oralism and the combined system. I have a feeling I would want to plug up my ears; my nerves and gray matter have been accustomed to silence and quietness



too long for such a sudden change. and, too, I would dread the long, slow process of adjusting myself to a new world of life and sound with all its complexities.

Seriously speaking, I think I have reached such a stage in life that it would be a tedious task to make a fresh start. However, I believe that regaining my hearing would enhance my capacity, if I may say so, to be of more service, in the social field, to those who haven't had the good fortune to regain their hearing.

ROBERT W. HORGAN, Madison, Wisc.

Should I suddenly regain my hearing I would immediately take lessons in speech in order to have normal modulation in communicating with my fellow men.

JULIUS M. SALZER, Milwaukee, Wisc.

The question is what the late U. S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt would call "iffy." The big if is in whether I would be fortunate enough to come under the influence of the magic wand so that I might speak intelligibly and react normally to the spoken language. If so, then thanks to the waving of the magic wand, my first new pastime would be to derive maximum enjoyment from music.

MICHAEL LAPIDES, New Haven, Connecticut

Unfortunately I have no memory of the years when I could hear, so I see no logic in answering the question—



only let me express my secret ambitions. In no time I would acquire the correct pronunciation of the languages that I have now at my command. Then I would enter the Counter - Intel-

ligence or Diplomatic Services to appease my teen-age craving for the fascinating intrigue of international espionage grown out of E. P. Oppenheim's novels. I would meet people all over the world first-hand, studying their customs and manners. I would also collect objects of art to sell in my own curio-antique studios established in important, far-flung cities for the good of my soul.

MARGARET E. JACKSON New York

(The possibility of regaining one's hearing is not so far-fetched as it may seem. The last five years have seen great strides made in advancement of scientific achievement. Who knows, a heaven-sent guy may pop up with some electronic device that will have the power to carry messages to the brain.—Ed.)

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